



Effects of hypercapnia and
oscillation versus static
mean exposure on the
thermal performance of the
model sea urchin,
*Strongylocentrotus
purpuratus*

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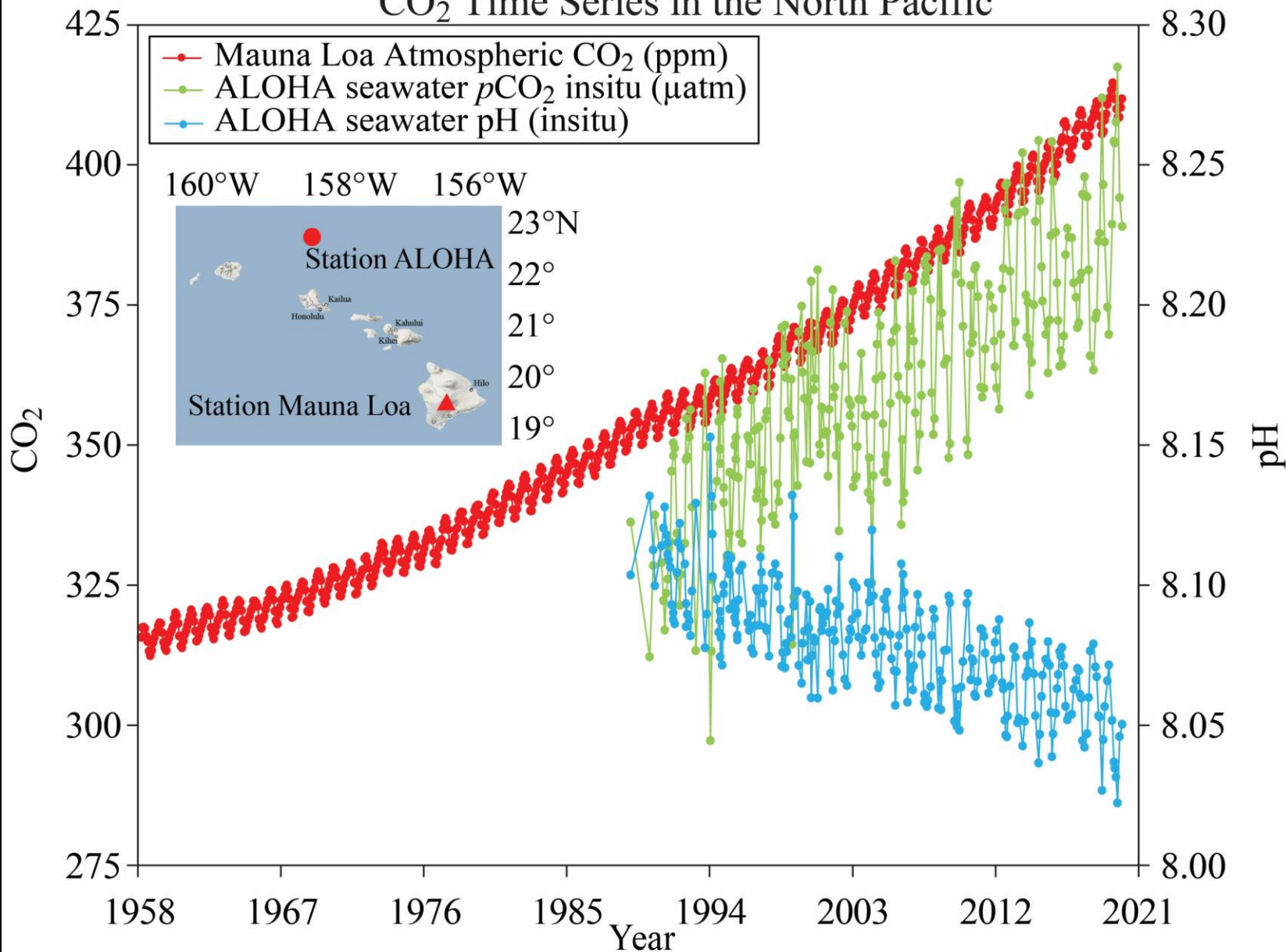
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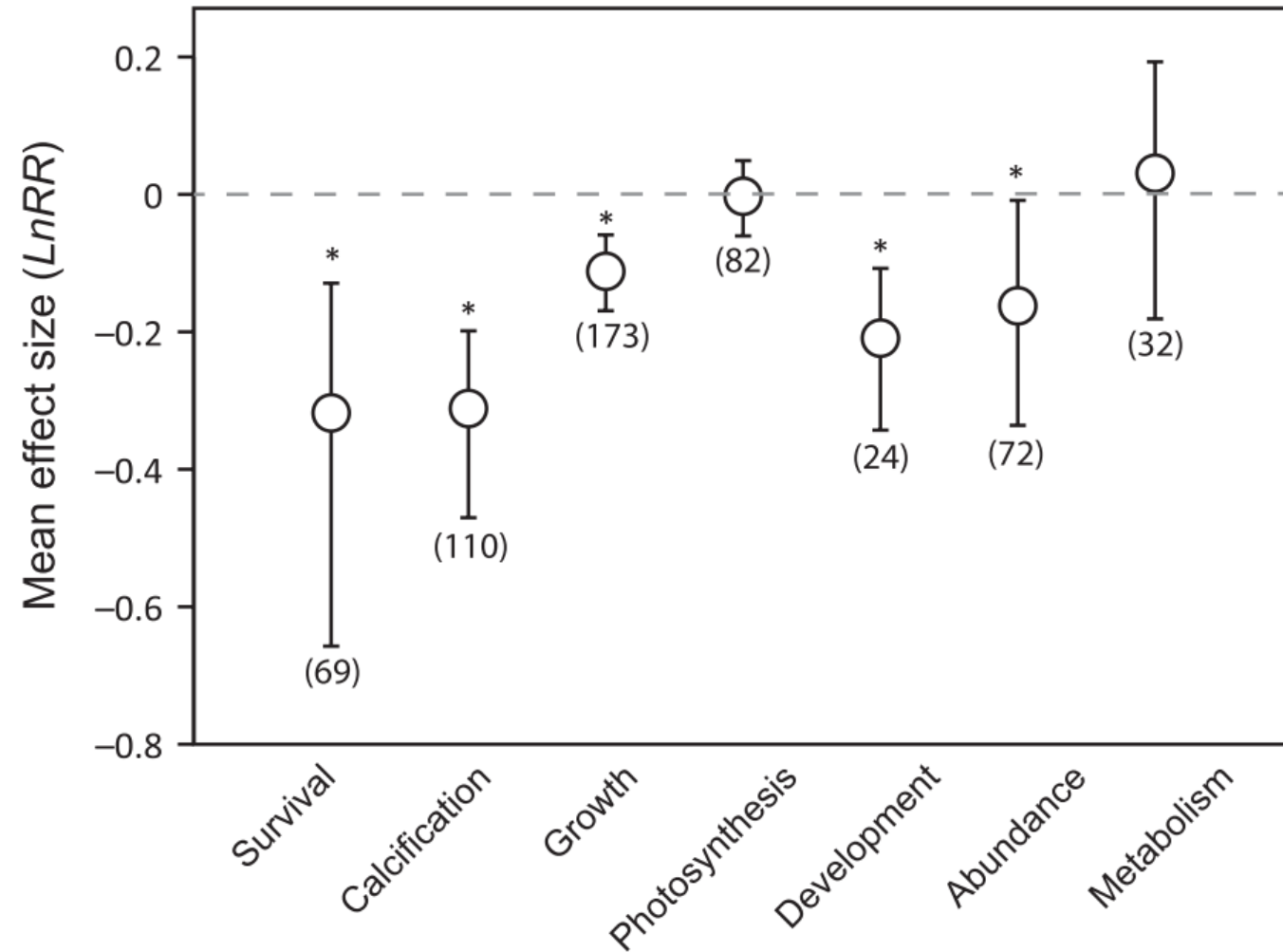
CO₂ Time Series in the North Pacific



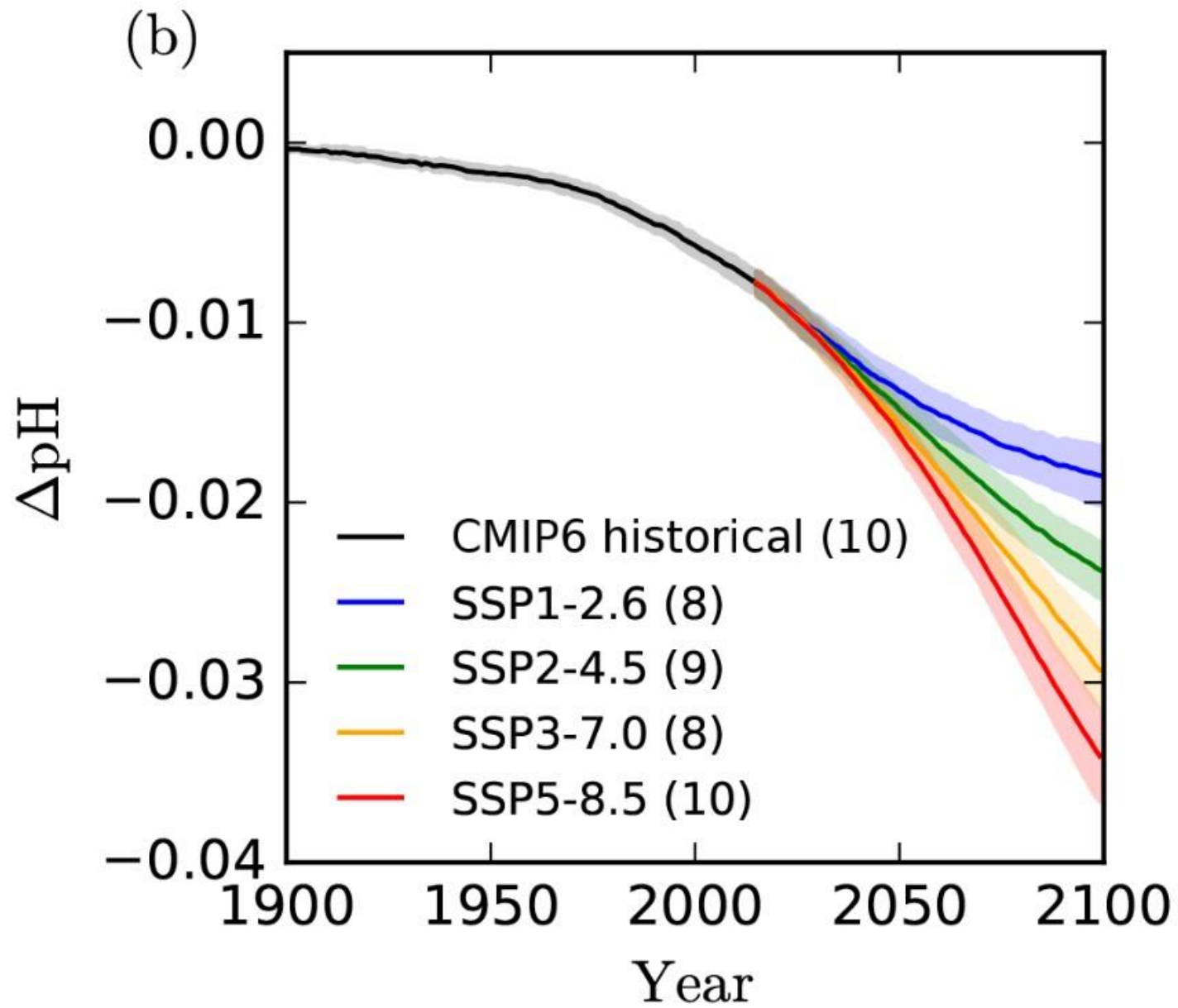
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 ALOHA pH & pCO₂ are calculated at in-situ temperature from DIC & TA⁻ (measured from samples collected on Hawaii Ocean Times-series (HOT) cruises) using co2sys (Pelletier, v25b06) with constants: Lueker et al. 2000, KSO4: Dickson, Total boron: Lee et al. 2010, & KF: seacarb

Biological implications

“future” high CO₂ (0.5 less than global mean surface pH) generally decreases performance.



Kroeker, K. J. et al. 2013
Global Change Biology

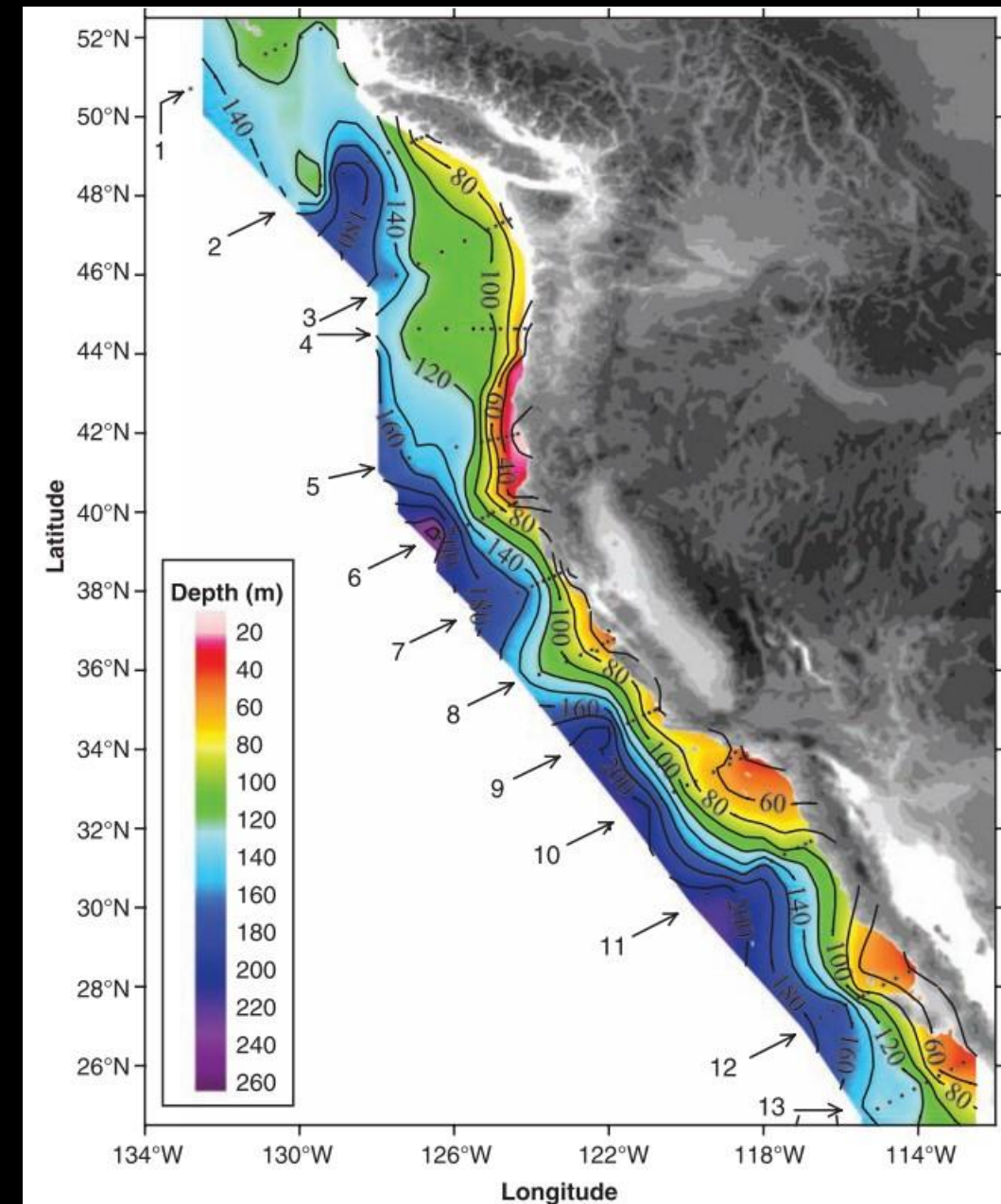


**Global mean
surface seawater!*

Kwiatkowski et al. 2020
Biogeosciences

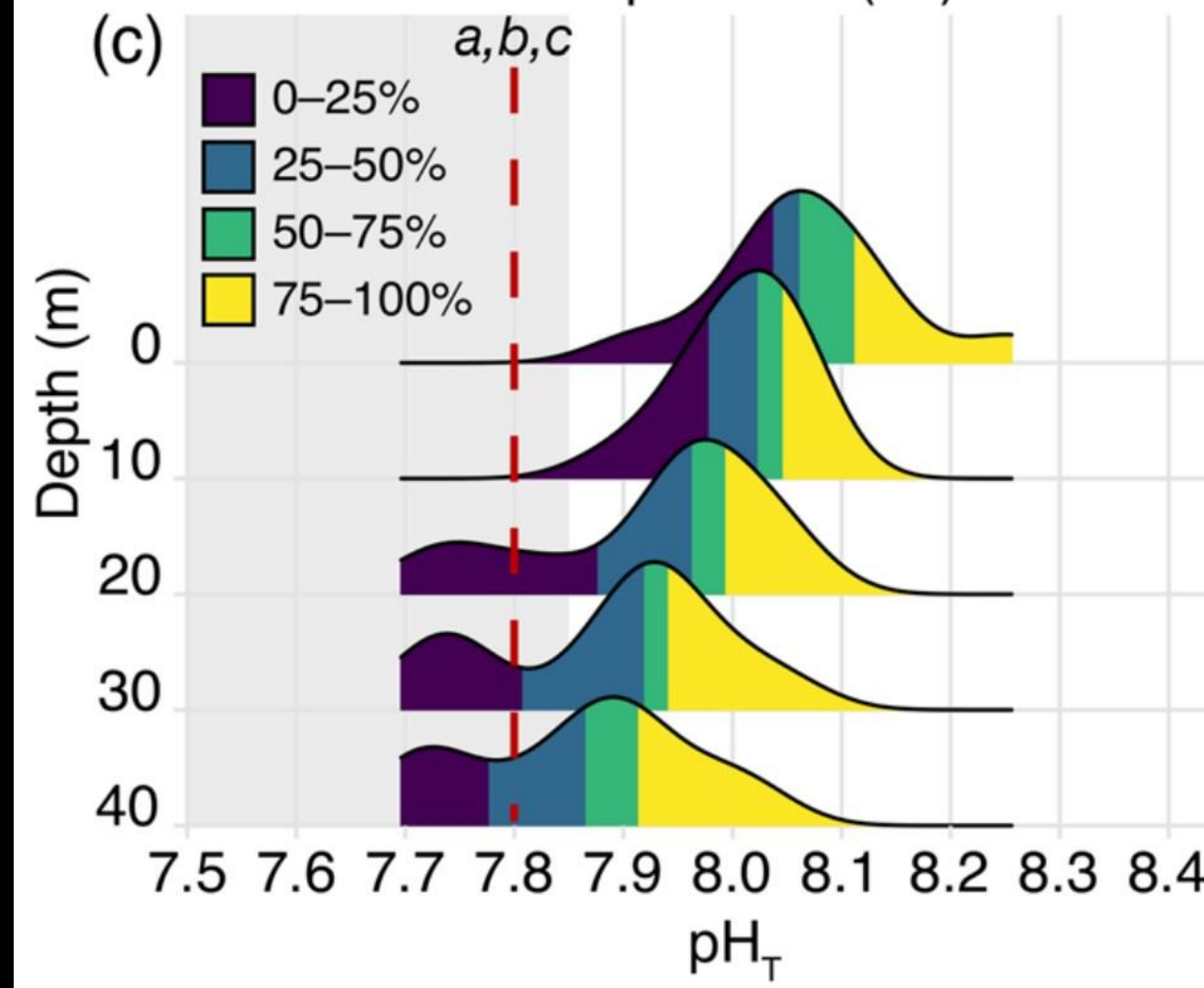
However...

Corrosive conditions (i.e., high $p\text{CO}_2$, aragonite saturation < 1.0 ; $\text{pH} < 7.75$) regularly reaches ecologically relevant depths in the nearshore, particularly in upwelling zones



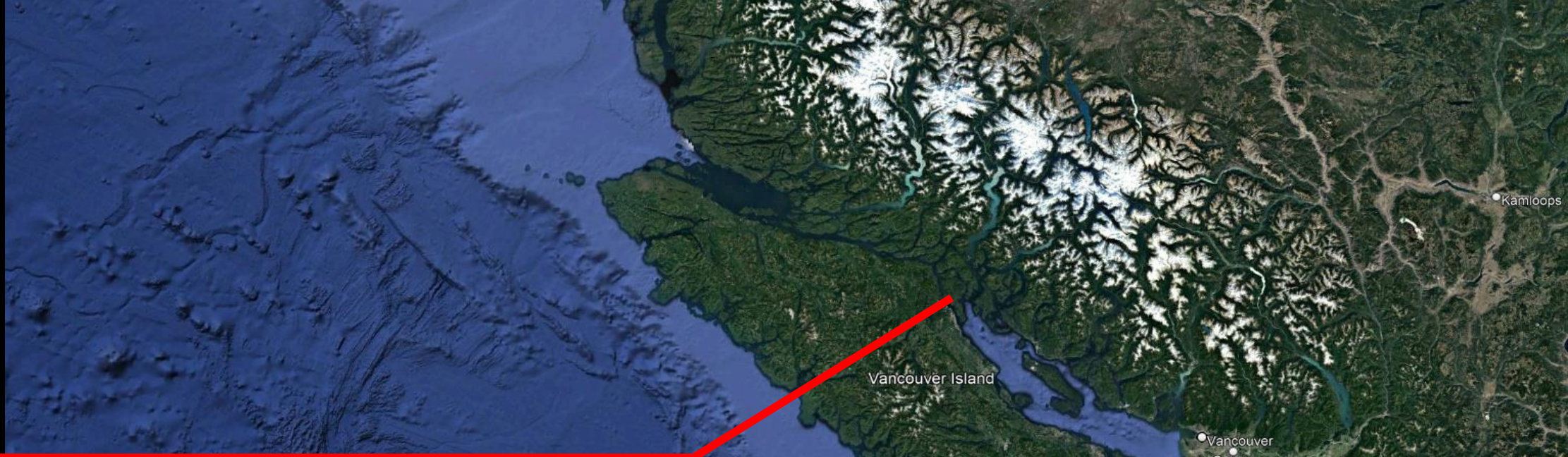
Feely et al. 2008 Science

“future” corrosive conditions occur in nearshore subtidal *now*

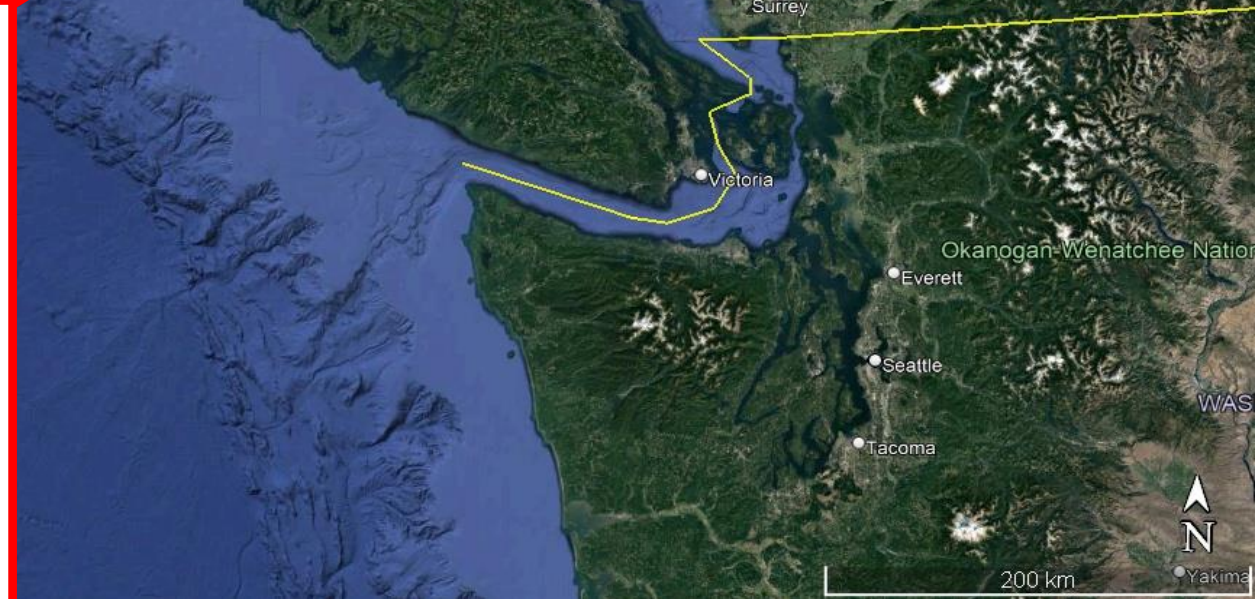
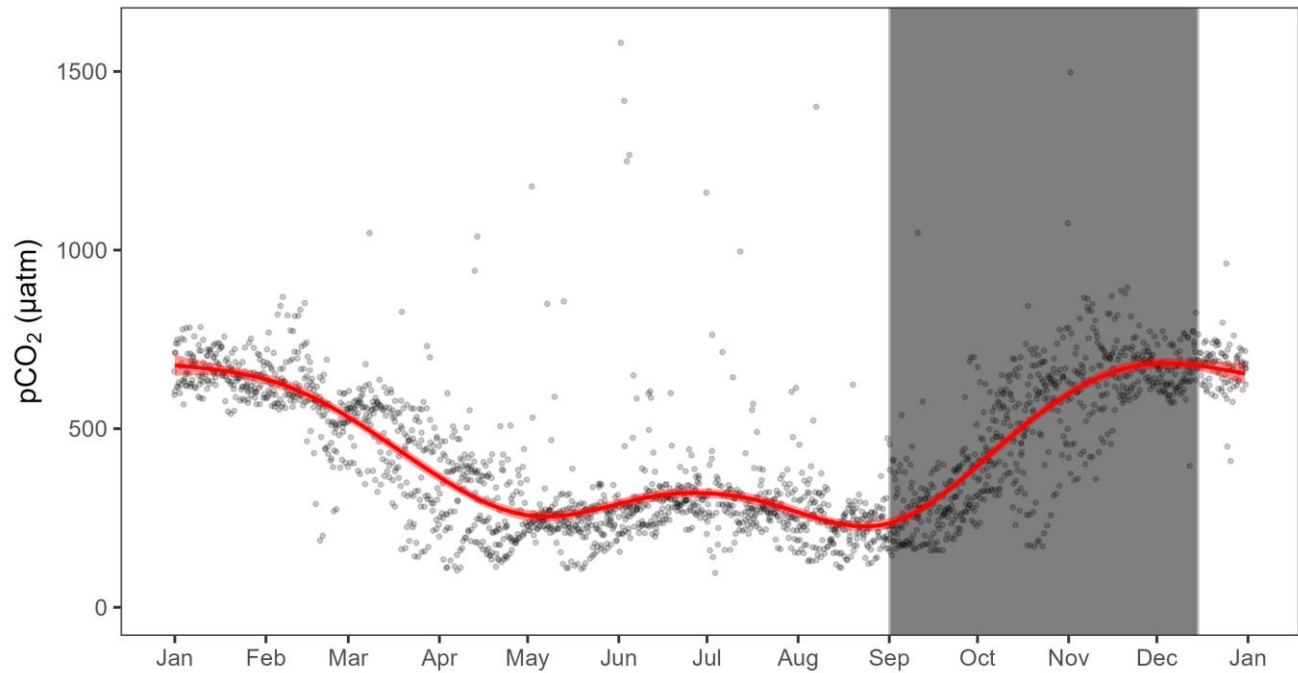


Kekuewa et al. 2022
Scientific Reports

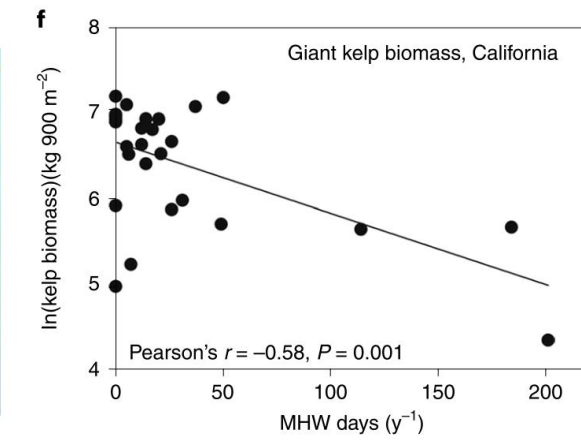
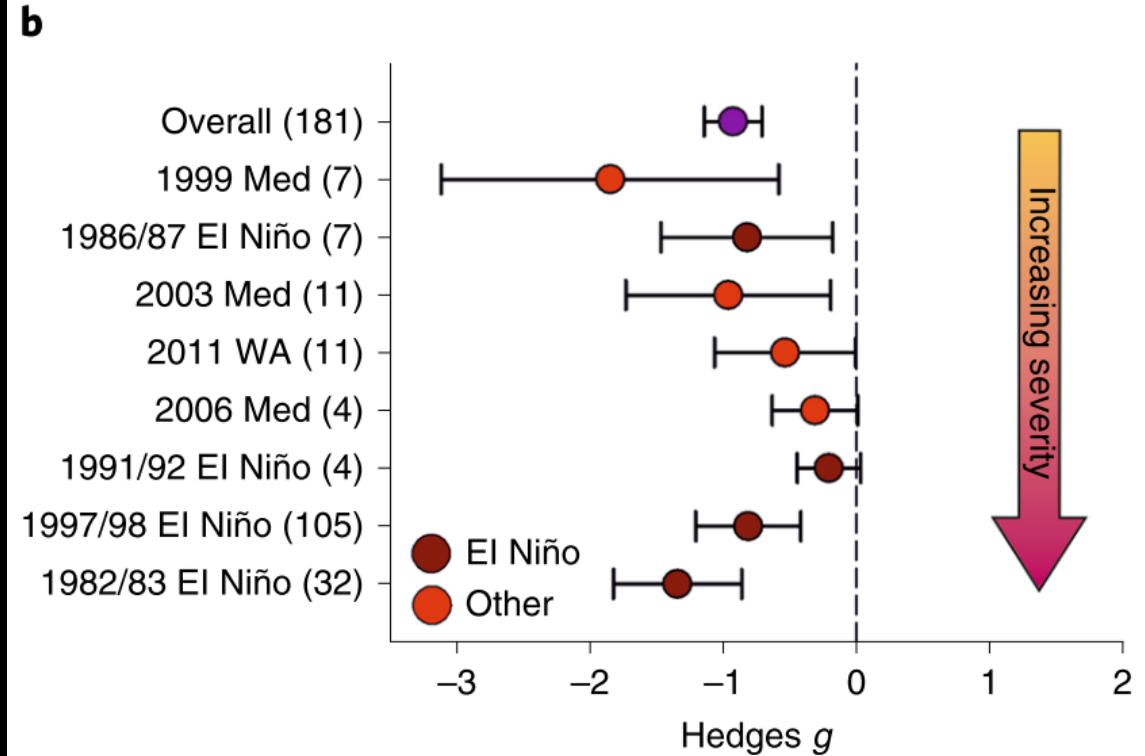
IPCC SSP-5-8.5 mid-century mean
oceanic pHT = 7.85 for SSP-5-8.5



pCO₂ Environment
Seasonality 2016-2022



• Ocean warming is punctuated by marine heat waves, threatening biodiversity and biomass loss of foundation species

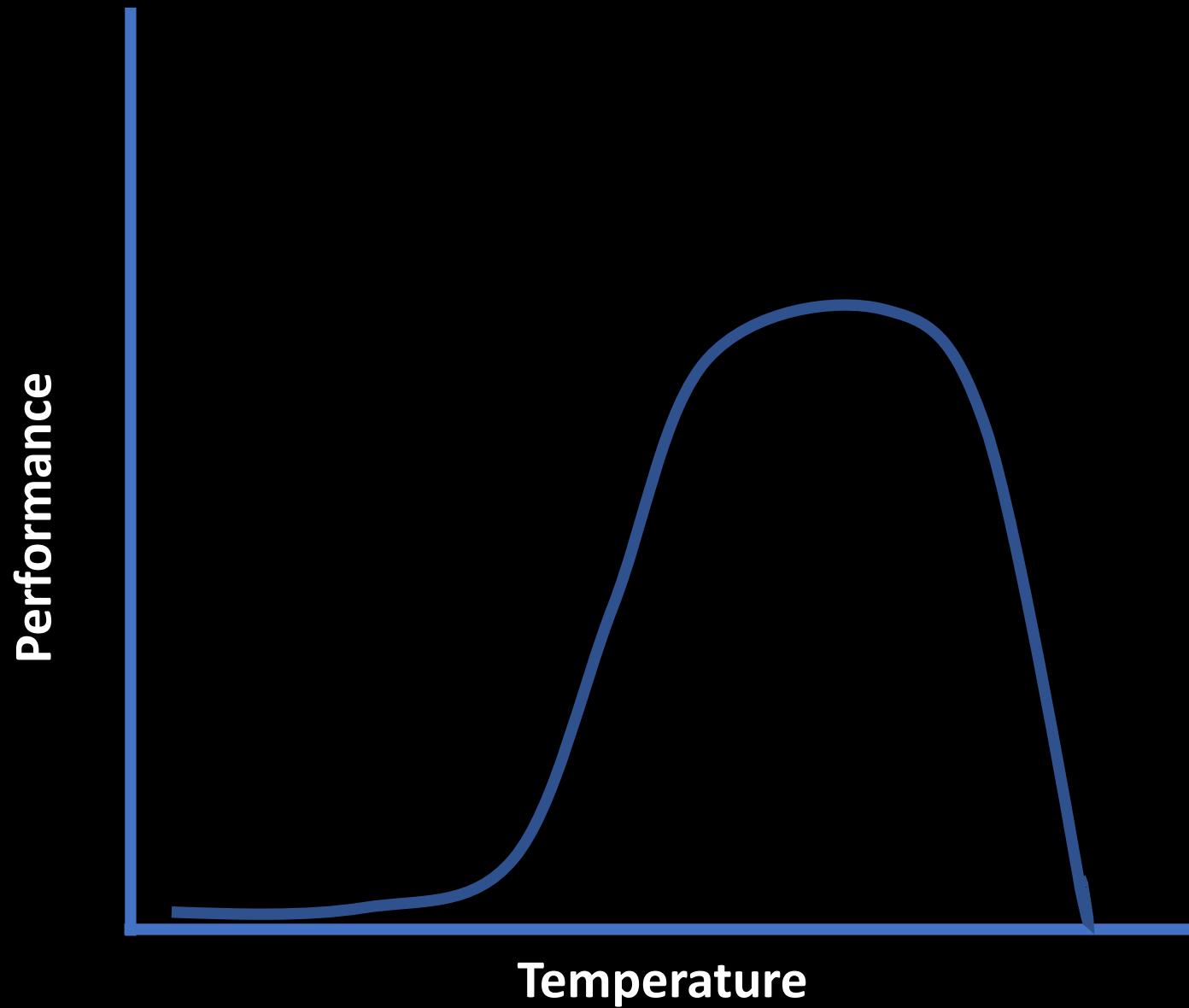


Smale, D. A. et al. (2019)
Nature Climate Change
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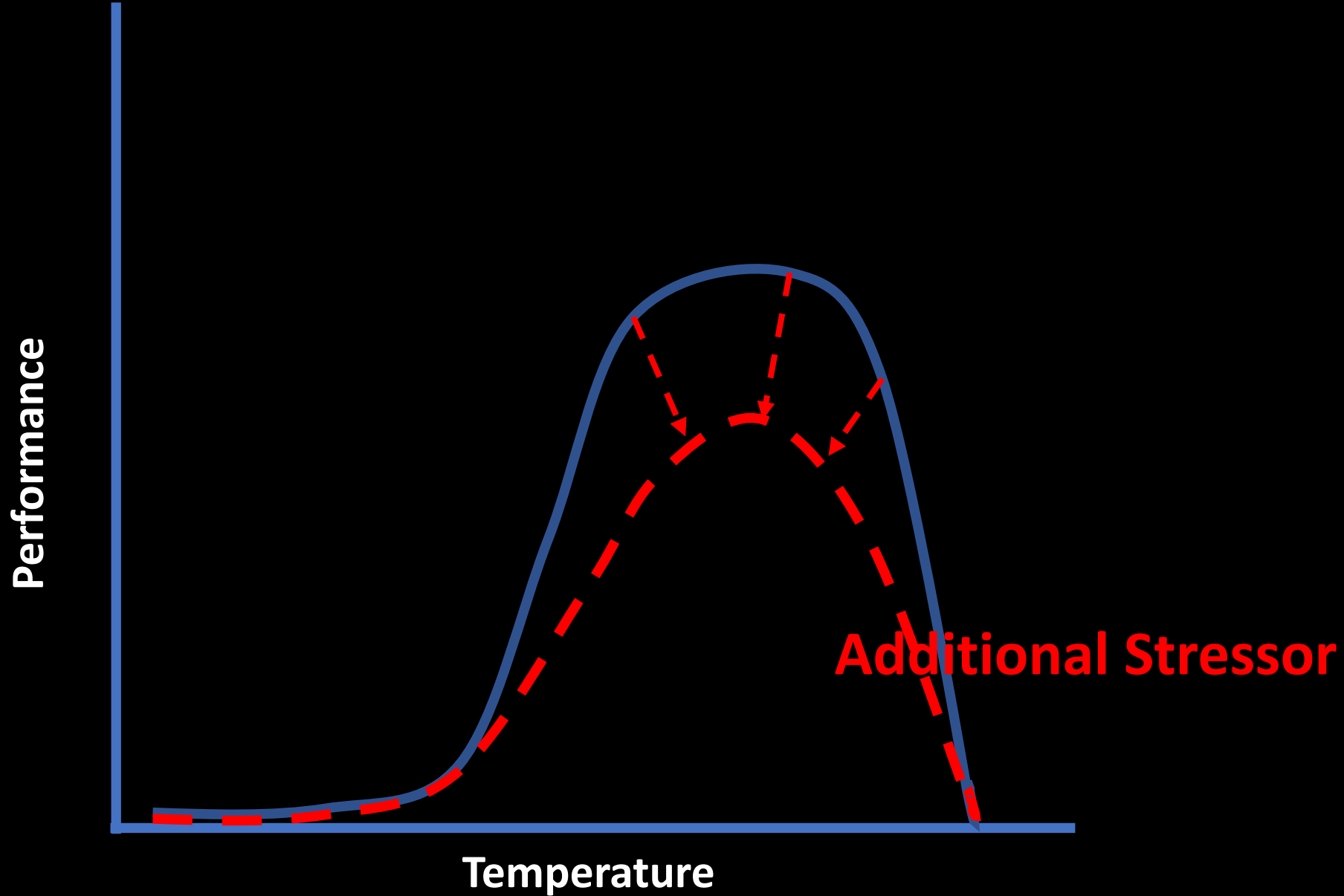
Questions

1. How does contemporary high CO₂ affect thermal performance?
2. Do constant thermal regimes impose the same effects on performance as dynamic regimes with shared mean values?

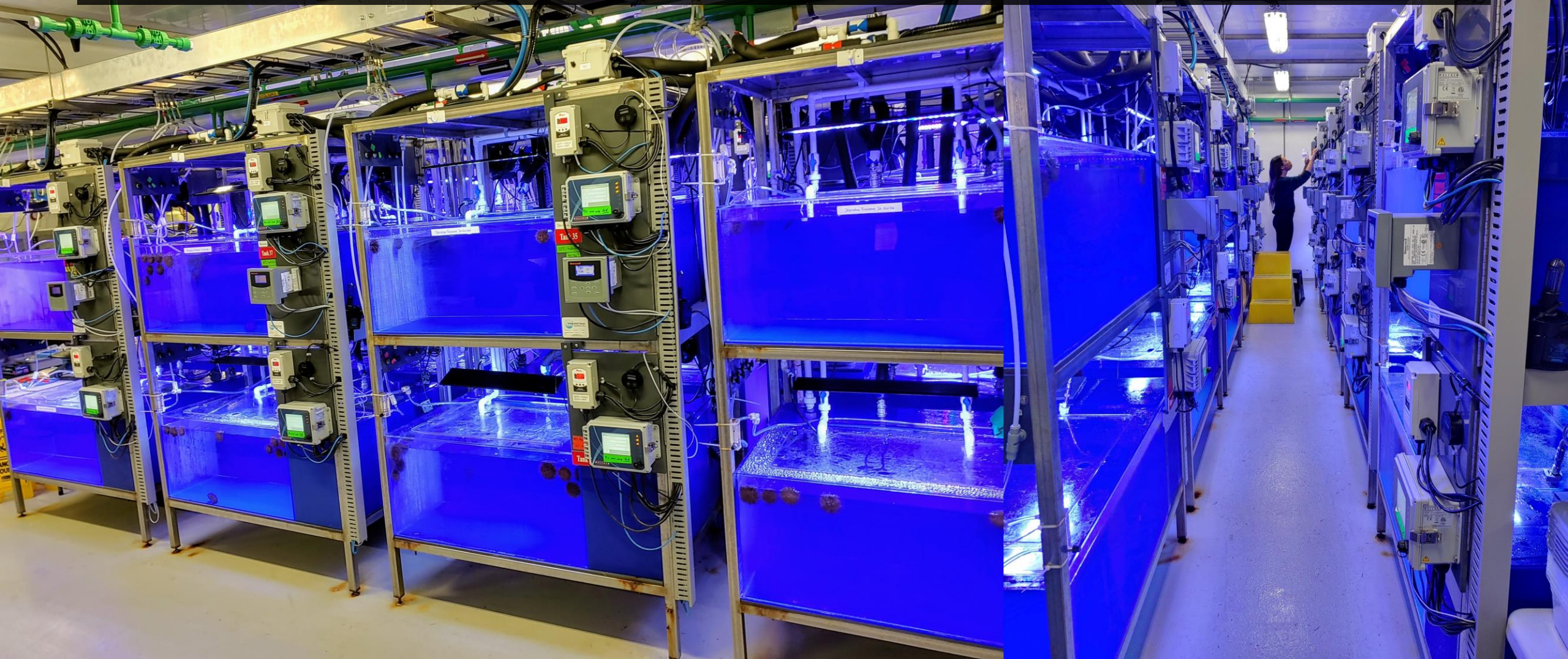
Thermal Performance Curve



Thermal Performance Curve



Independent control of temperature and pCO₂



Treatments

Temperature (°C)	Constant or Dynamic	pCO ₂ (µatm)	Number of tanks
10	Constant	600	2
10	Constant	1200	2
13	Constant	600	2
13	Constant	1200	2
16	Constant	600	2
16	Constant	1200	2
17	Constant	600	2
17	Constant	1200	2
18	Constant	600	2
18	Constant	1200	2
20	Constant	600	2
20	Constant	1200	2
El Niño (21-18)	Dynamic	600	4
La Niña (18-14)	Dynamic	600	4

15 animals per tank x 32 tanks = 480 animals
(mean test diameter = 51 mm, range = 25-69 mm)

Fed 2x per week throughout using algal pellets for sea urchin aquaculture

Responses – Energetic Profile

Metabolic rate – *respirometry*



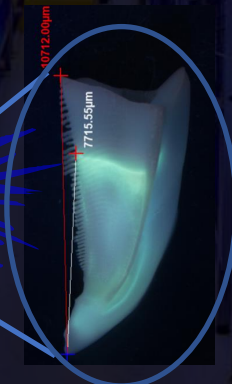
Per capita consumption rate – *replicated feeding trials*



Gonadal growth – *dissection*

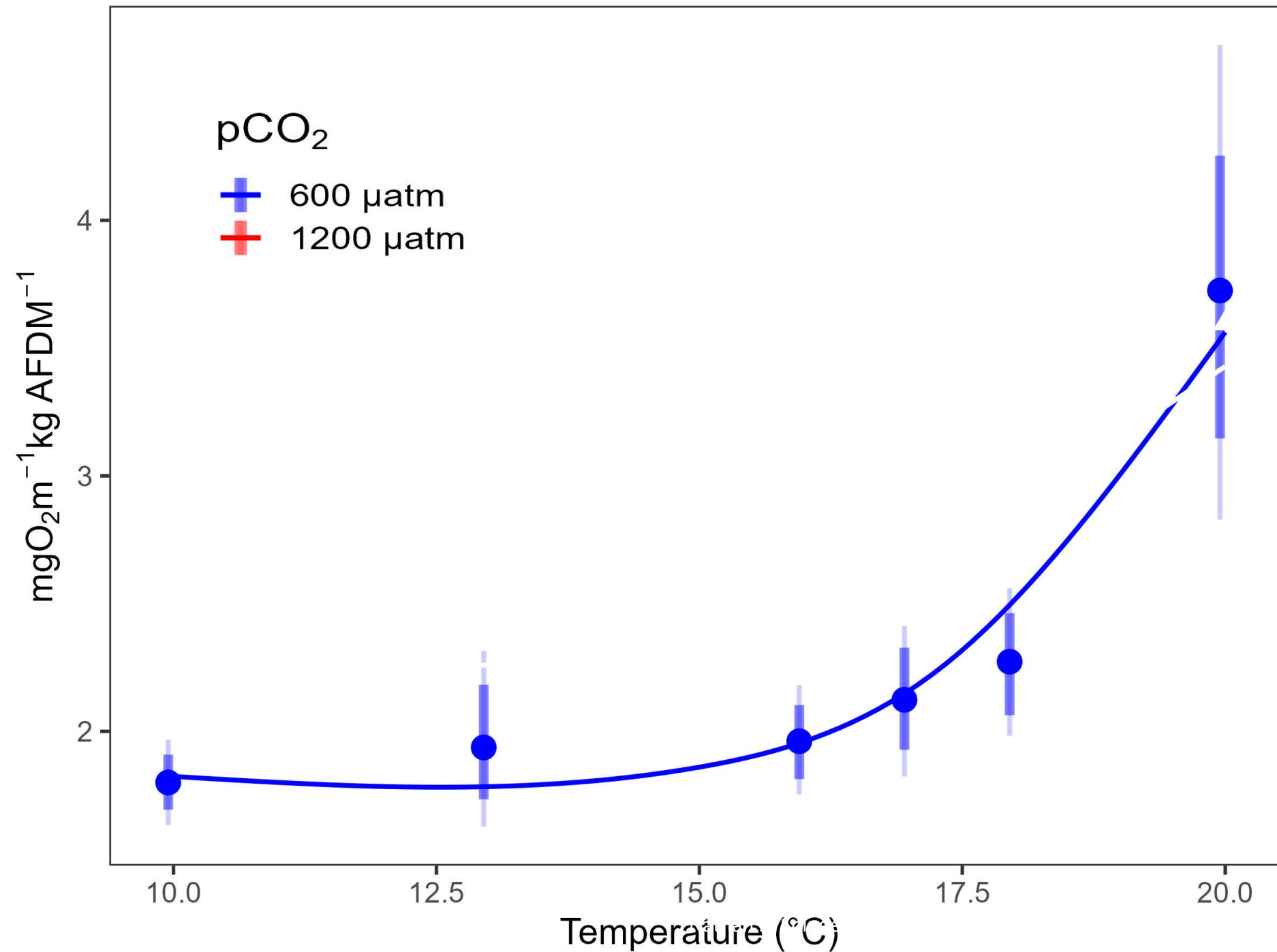


Structural growth – *tetracycline tagging + microscopy*

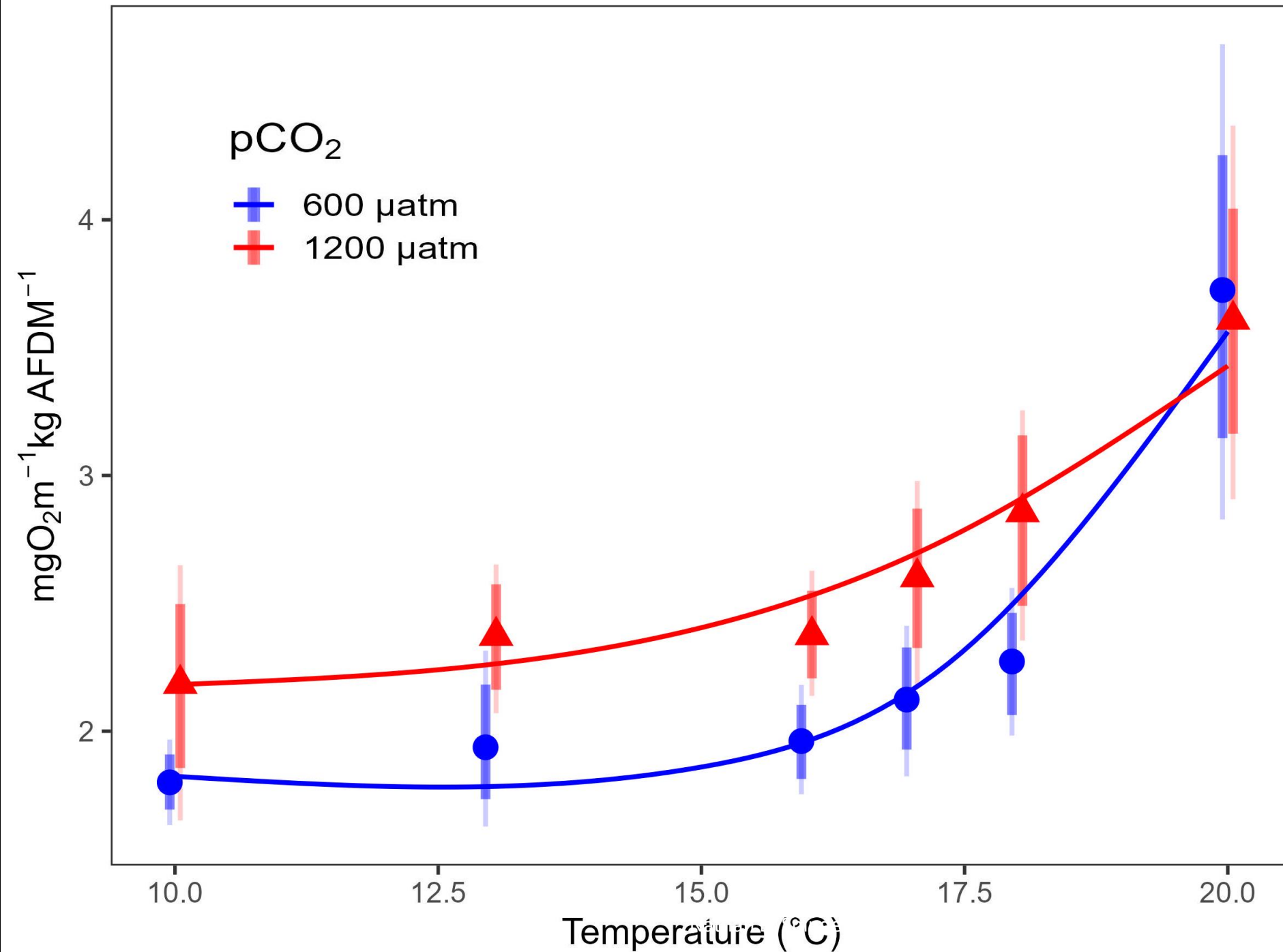


Efficiency – *ingestion/egestion, production/consumption*

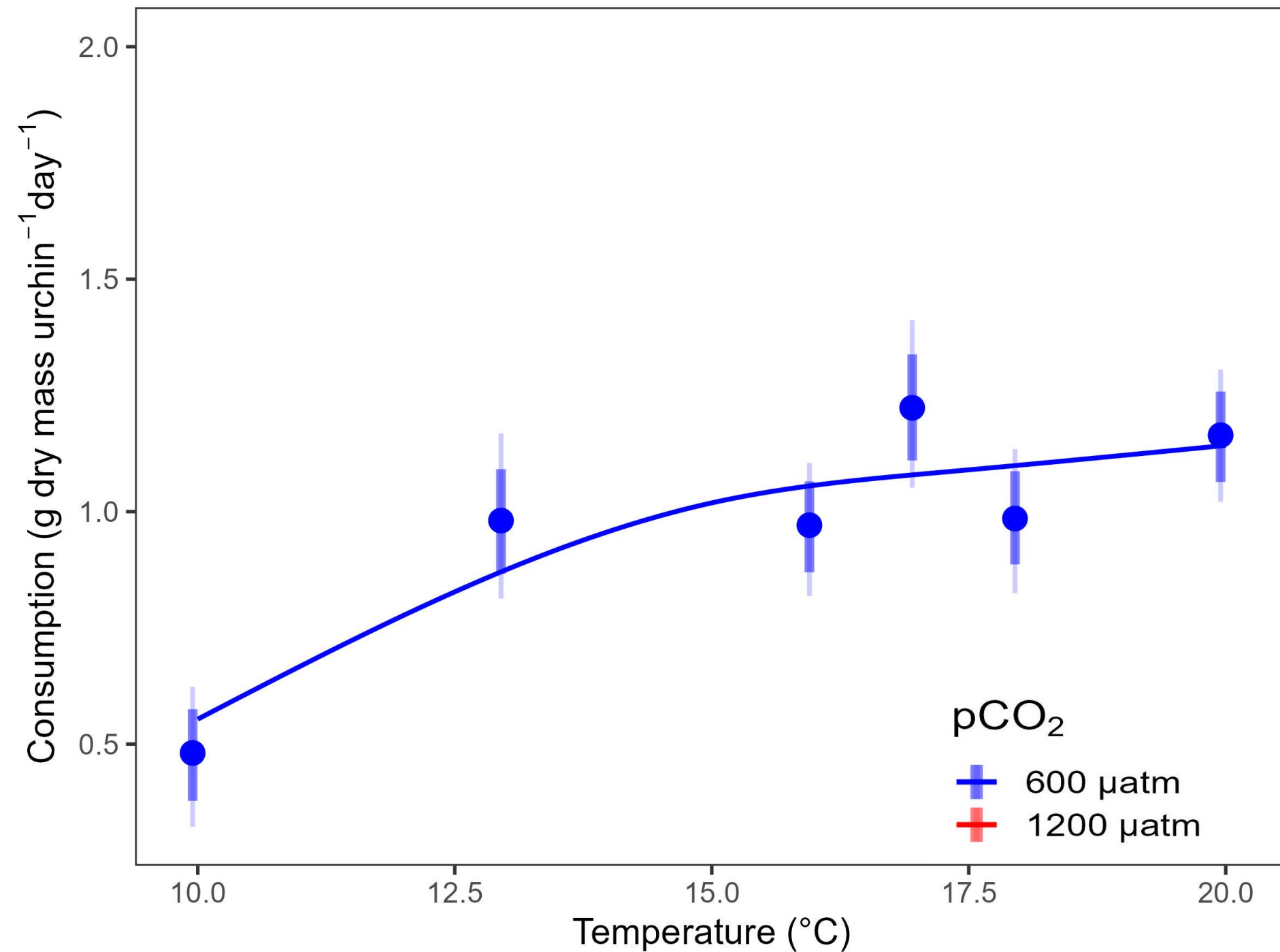




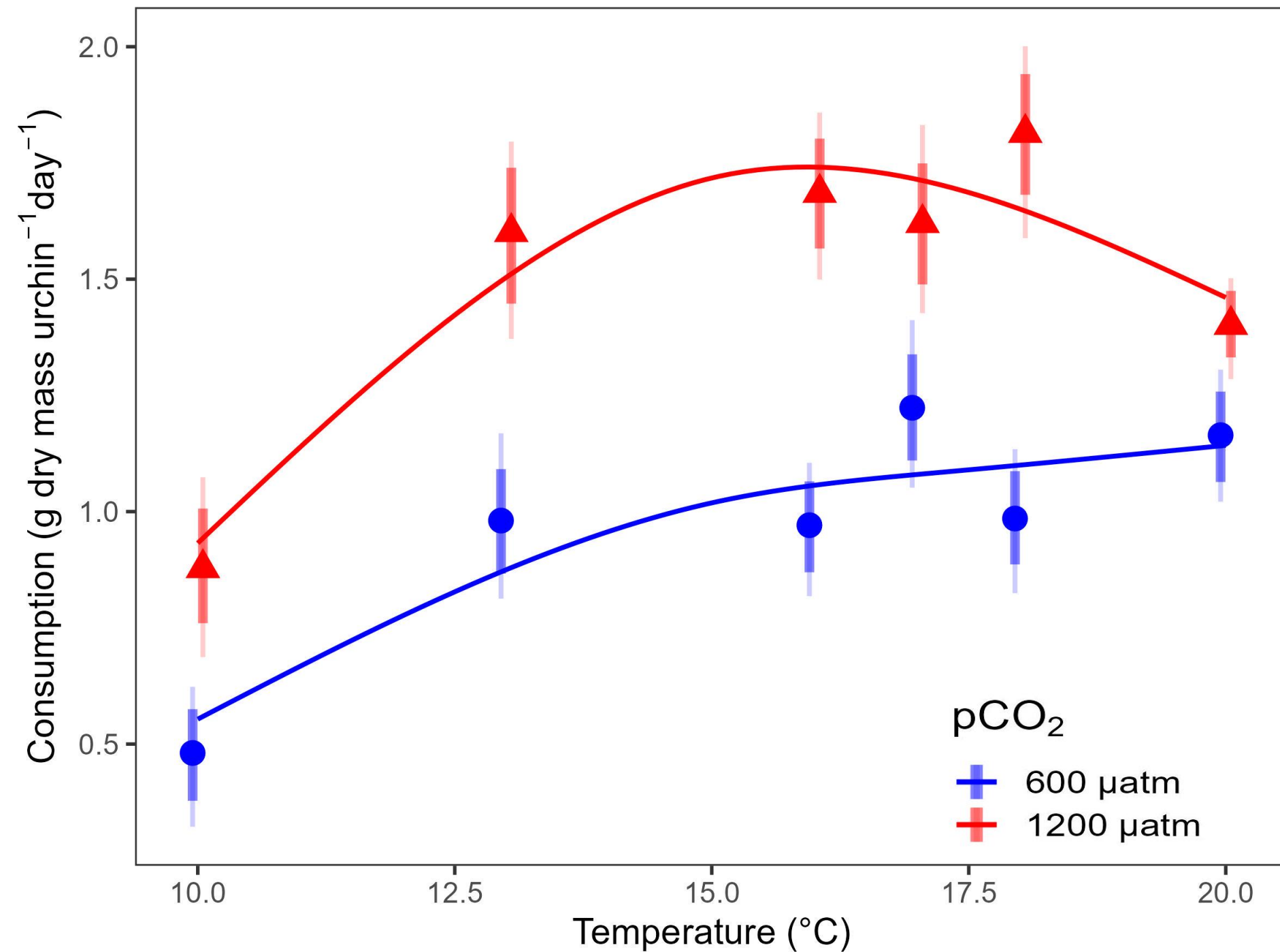
- ***At ambient pCO_2 , exponential increase in metabolic rate with temperature***



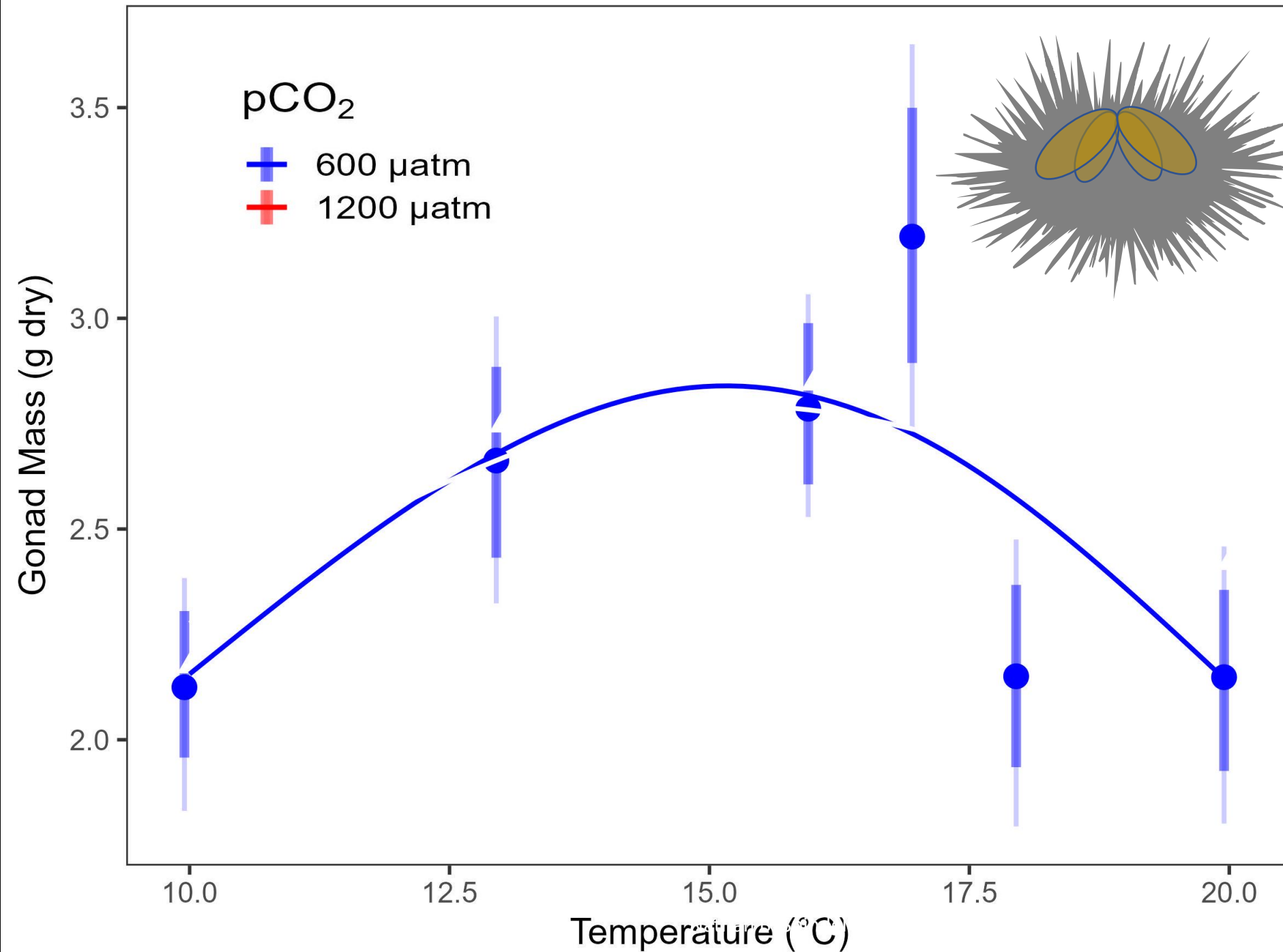
- **Higher metabolic rate in high CO₂, except for extreme 20 °C**



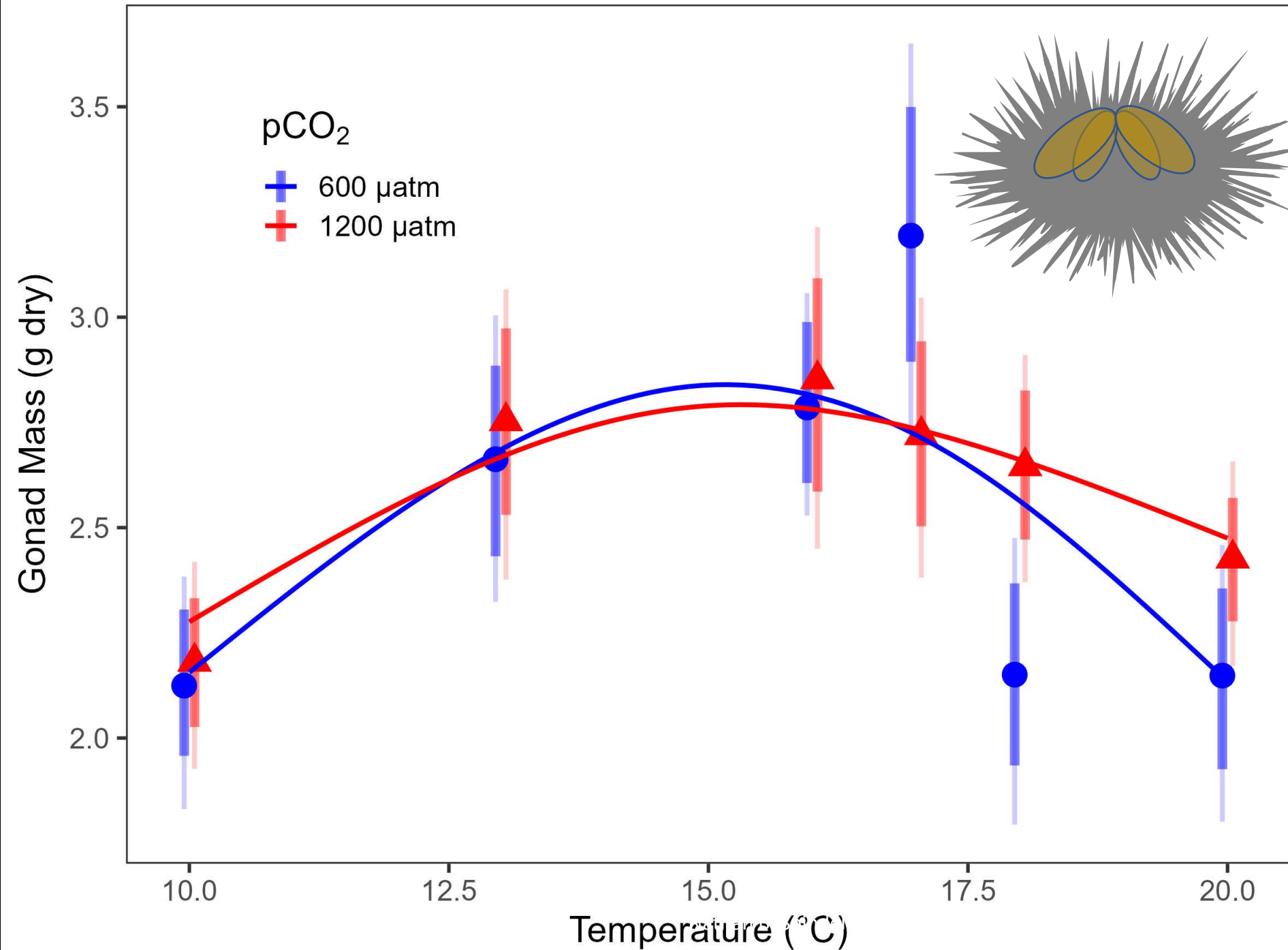
- *At ambient pCO₂, feeding increases with temperature*



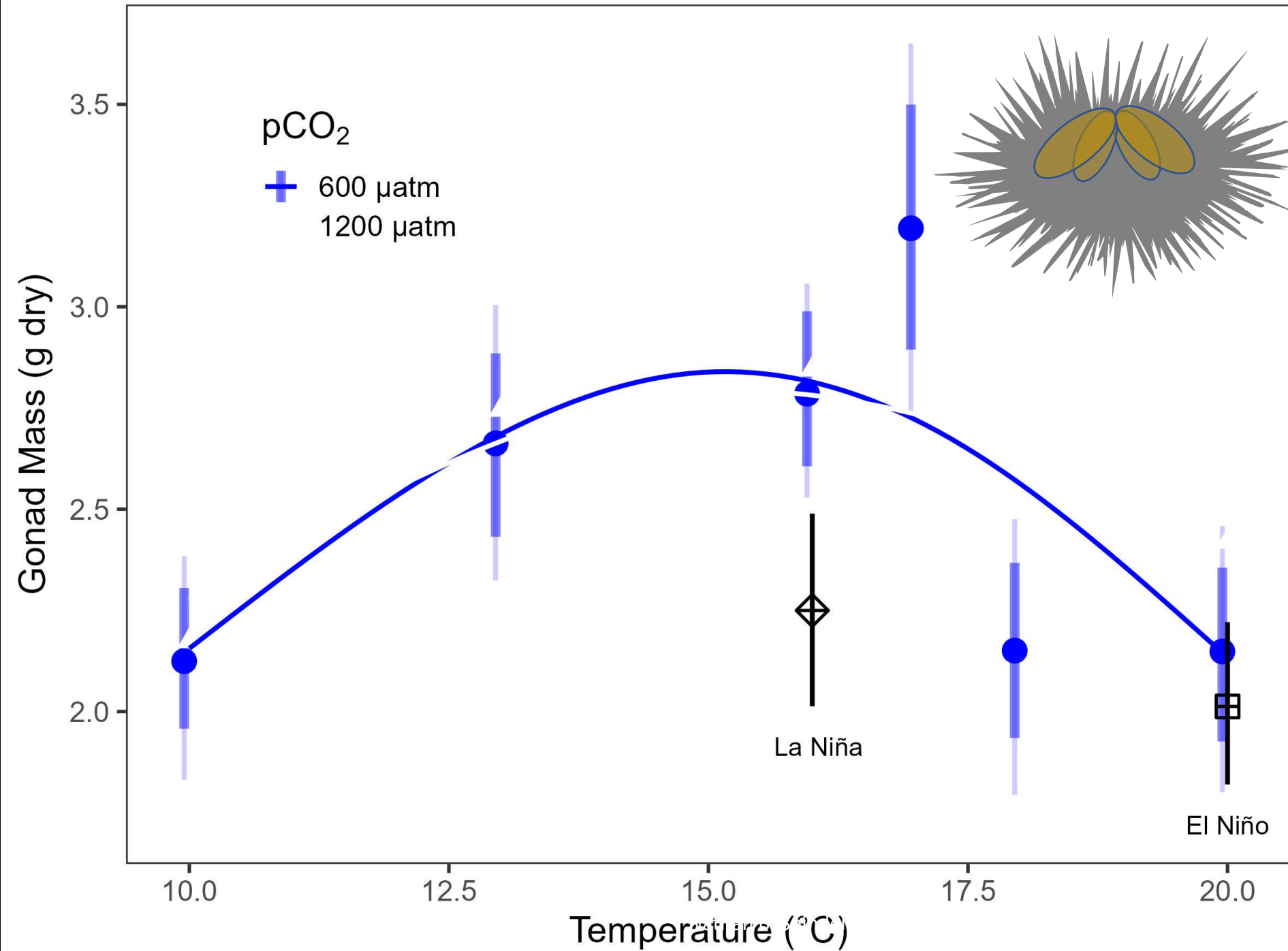
- **Higher per capita feeding under high CO₂**



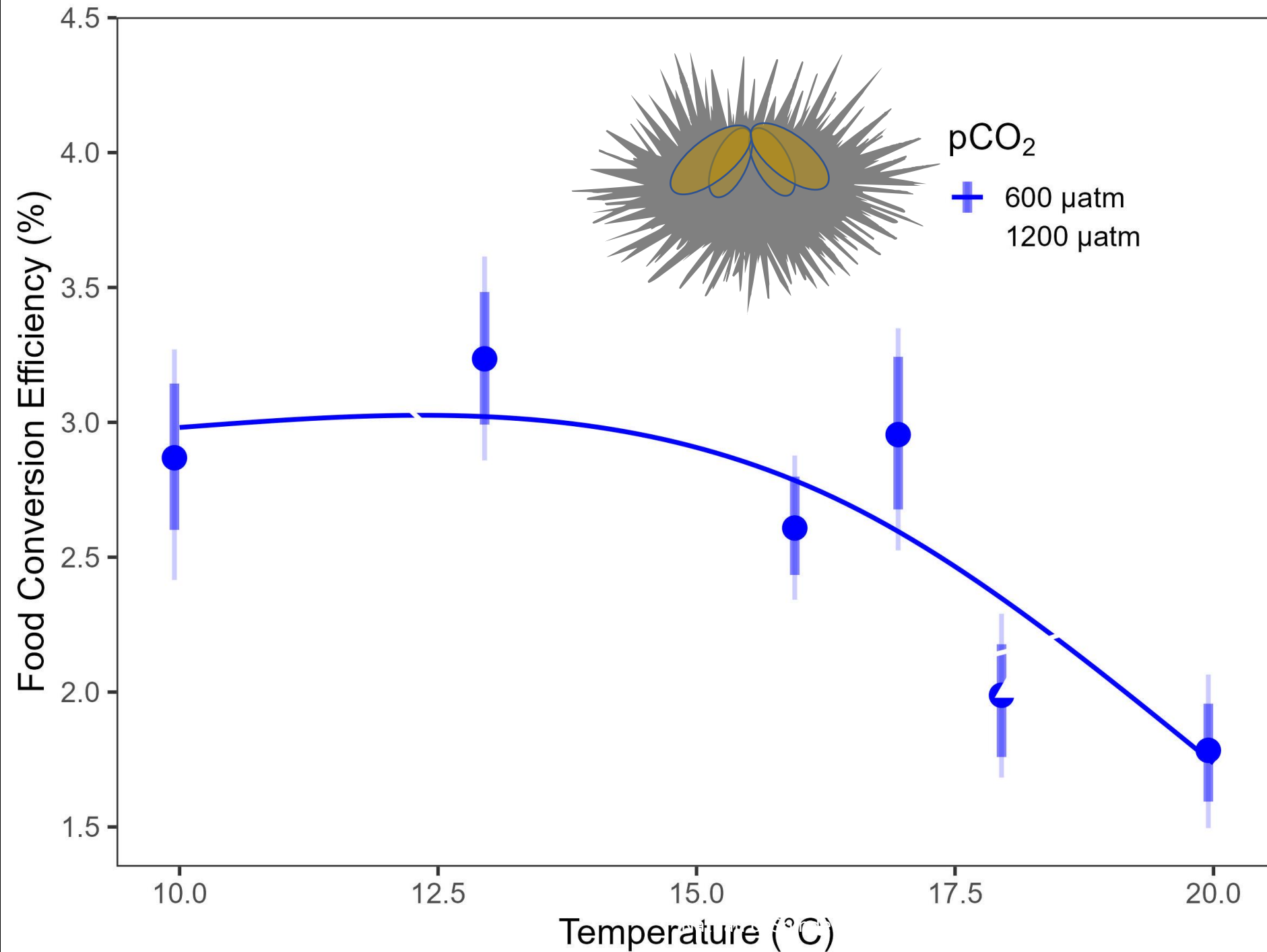
- ***At ambient $p\text{CO}_2$, peak gonad production $\sim 17^\circ\text{C}$***



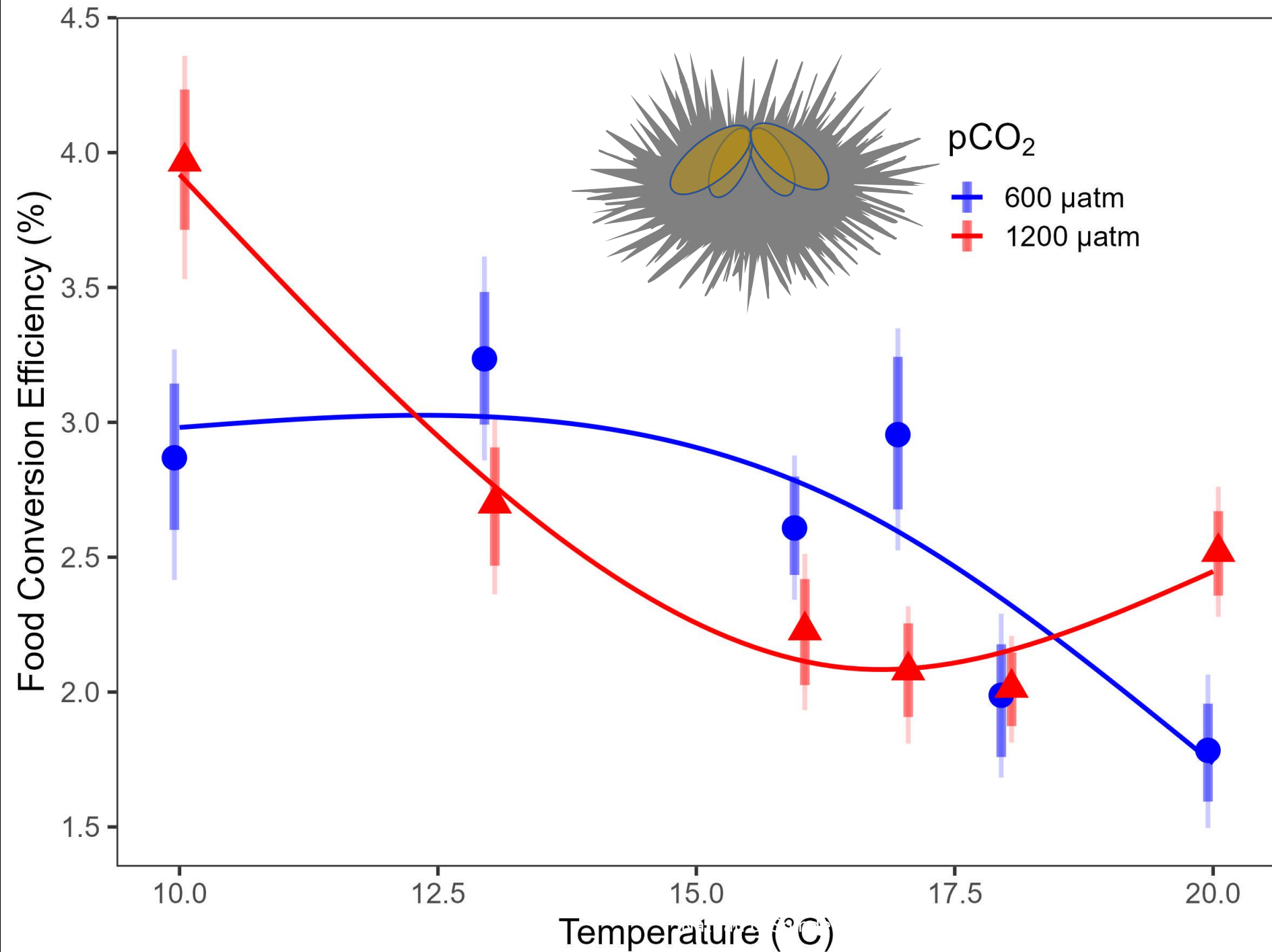
- ***Higher*** gonadal production at temp > 17 °C under high CO₂



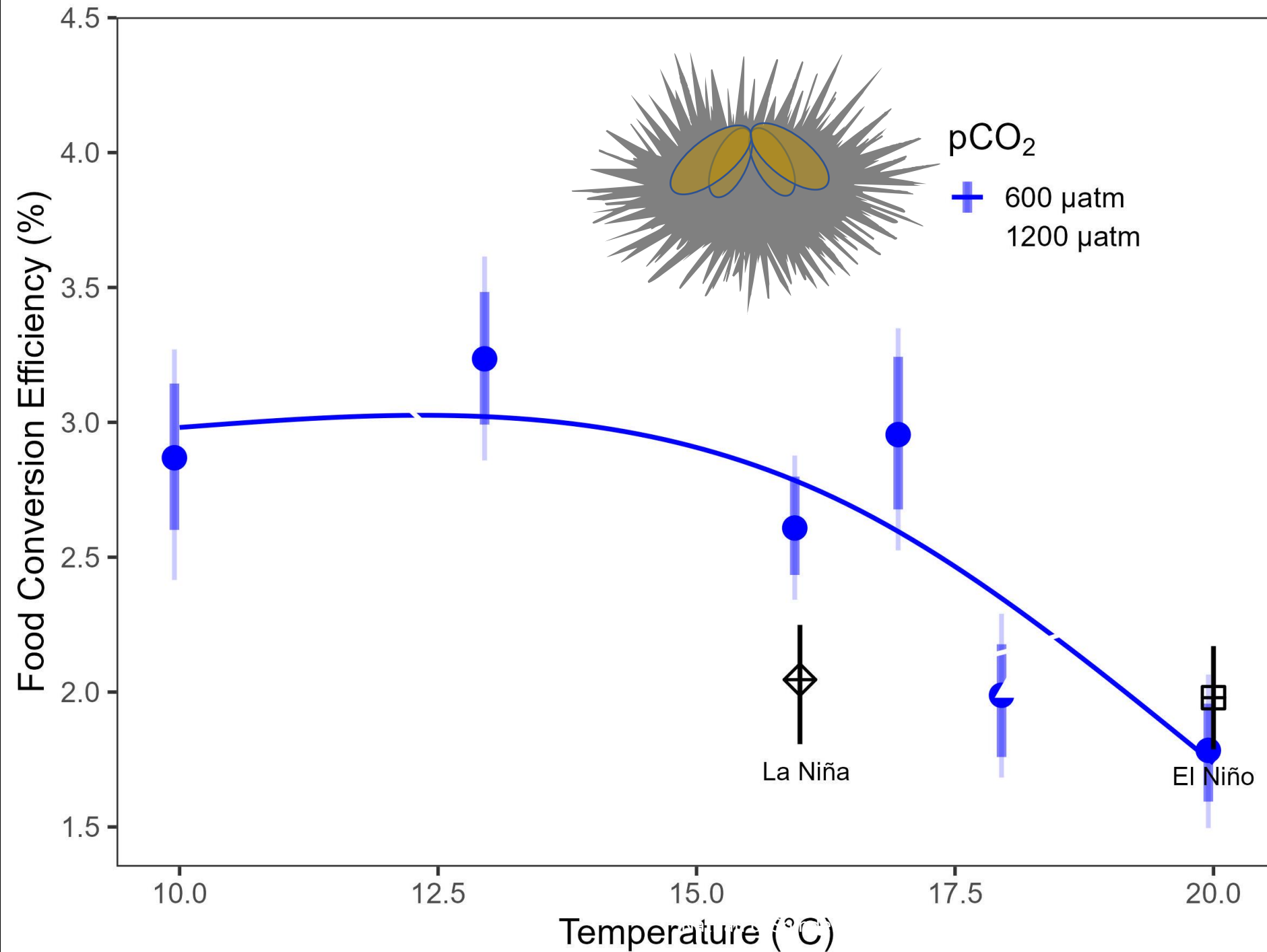
- ***Lower*** gonadal production in La Niña



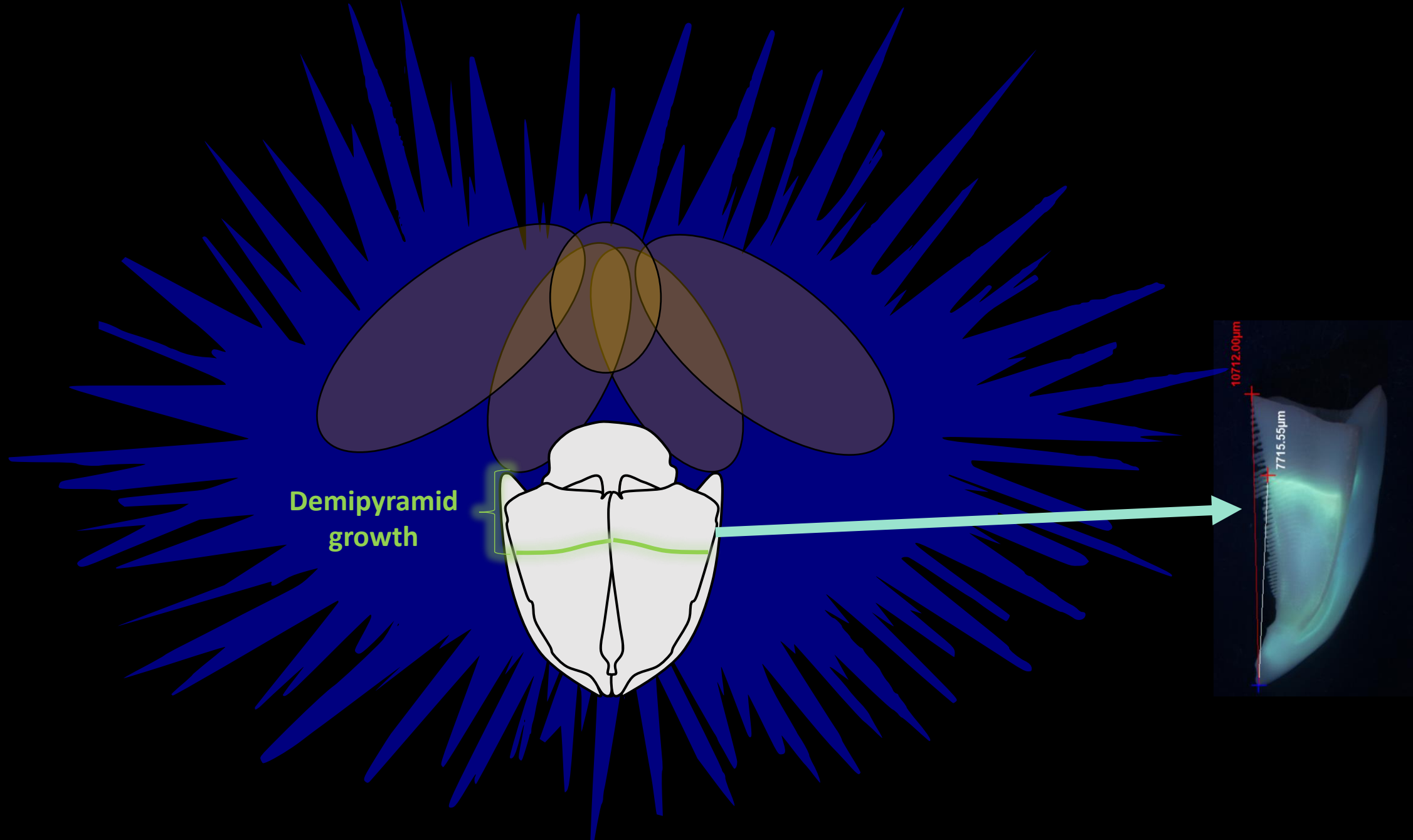
- ***At ambient pCO₂, food conversion efficiency declines with temperature***



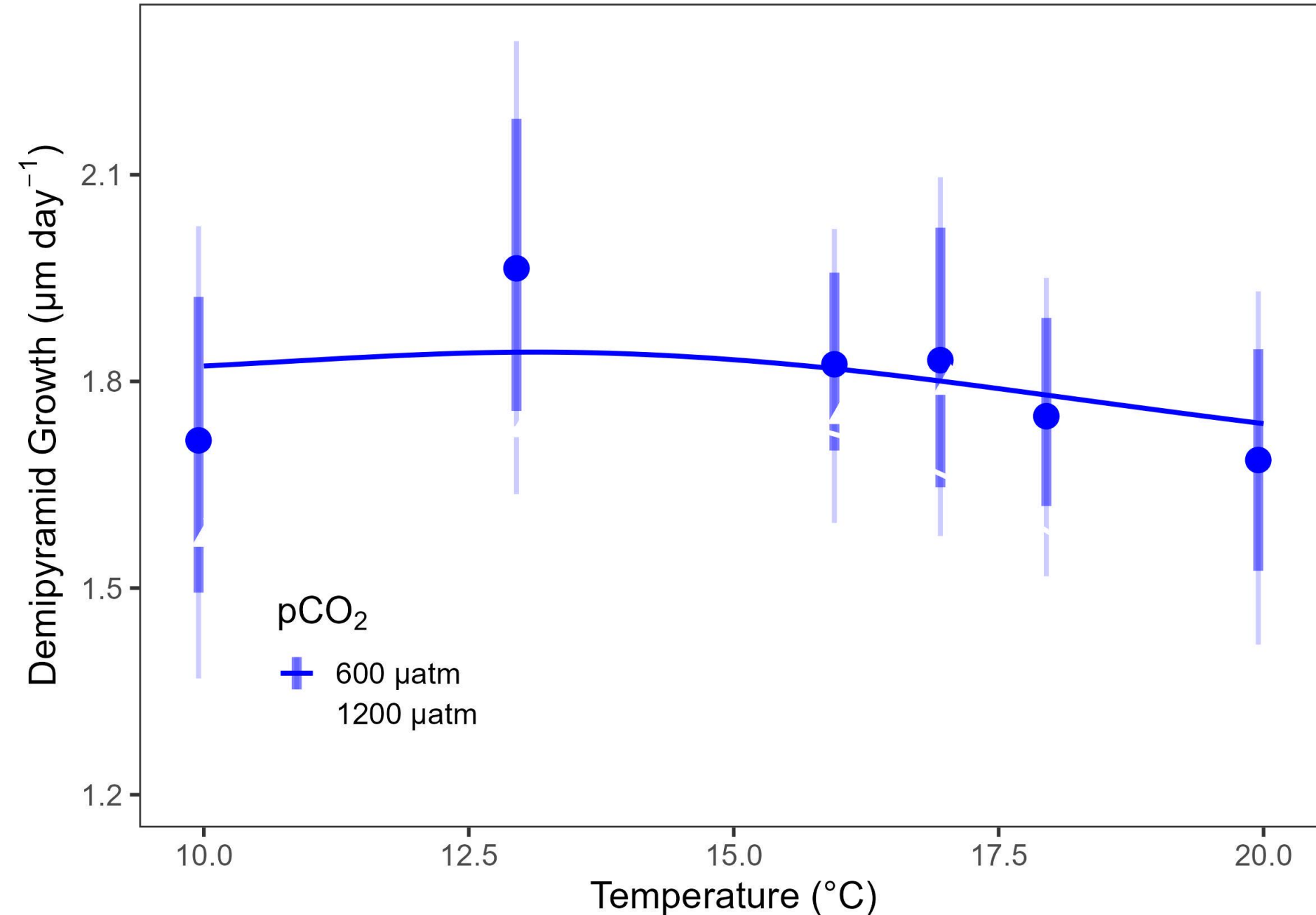
- ***At high $p\text{CO}_2$, Lower efficiency near thermal optimum, but higher efficiency at extremes***



- ***At ambient pCO₂, lower gonadal production efficiency in La Niña***

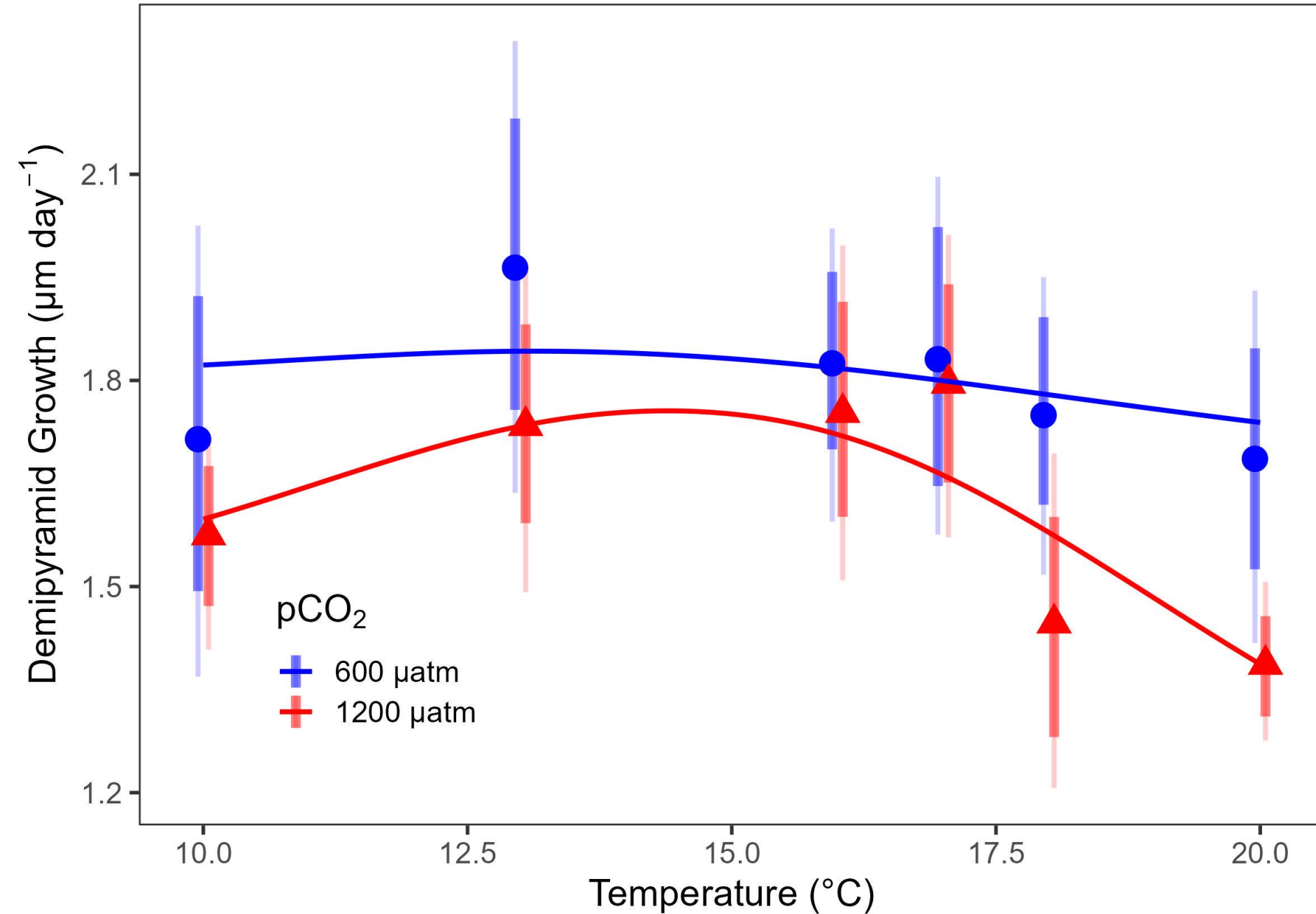


Growth of Jaw Structure



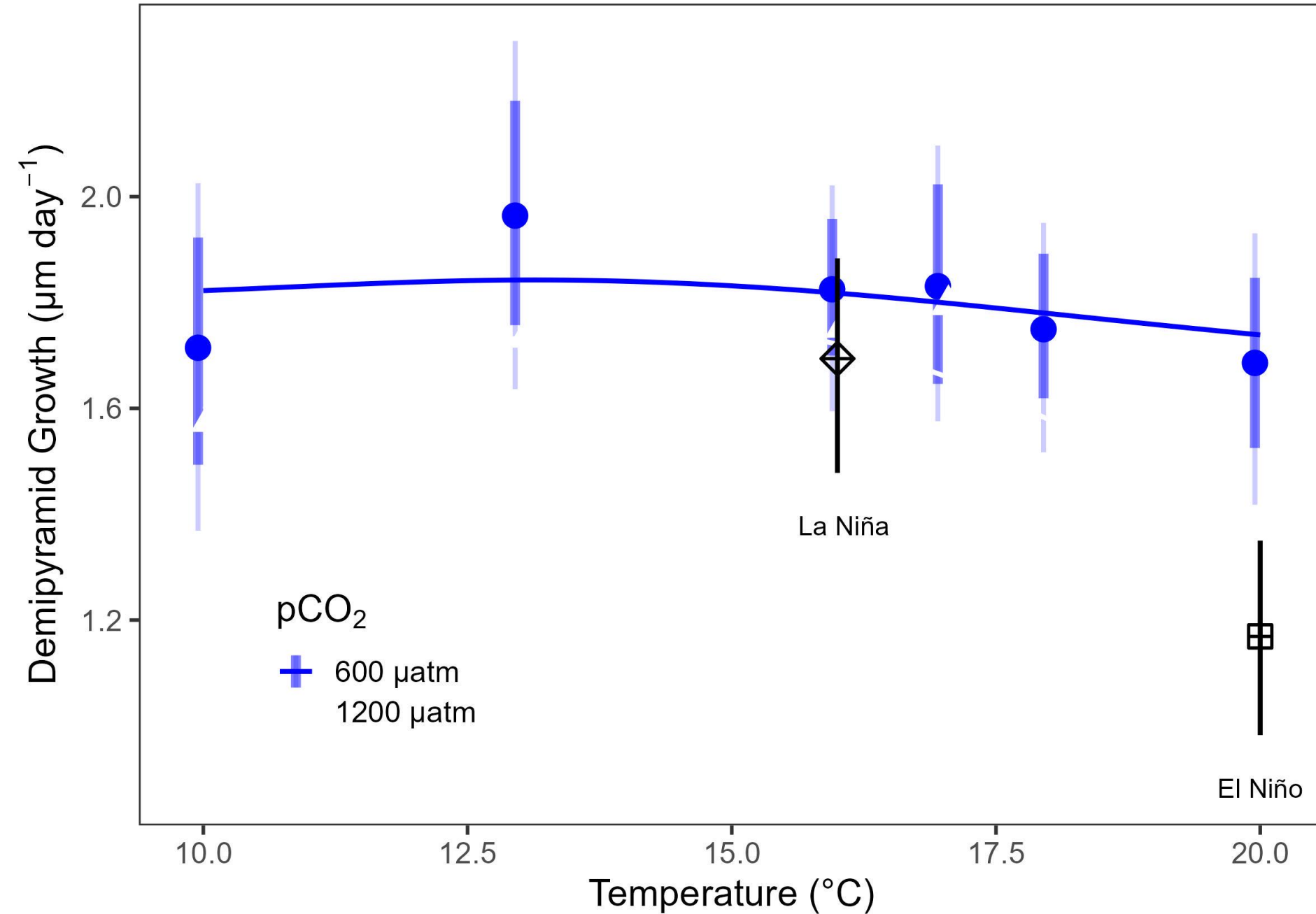
- ***At ambient CO₂, weak relationship between jaw growth and temperature***

Growth of Jaw Structure



- ***At high CO₂, Lower jaw growth, particularly at thermal extremes***

Growth of Jaw Structure



- ***At ambient CO₂, Lower jaw growth in El Niño***

Implications

- Barren state may increase in frequency/persistence under contemporary warming, more so in high pCO₂ contexts
 - Aggravating factors:
 - *Ocean acidification*
 - *Decline in nutritional quality of primary production (e.g., Lowman, H. E., et al. 2021 Oikos).*
 - Mitigating factors:
 - *High nutrients and pCO₂ stimulate algal growth, low temp -> decrease herbivore metabolism & feeding (e.g., Sellers, A. J., et al 2019 Global Ecol Biogeogr).*
- TPC's estimated with constant treatments may overestimate reproductive potential

Future Directions

- **Multistressor experiments exposing *both food resource & consumer***
 - (e.g., Brown, M. B., Edwards, M. S. & Kim, K. Y. 2014 Algae).
- **Process based model development for upscaling to population level herbivory**
 - (e.g., Arnould-Pétre, M., et al 2021 Ecological Modelling)

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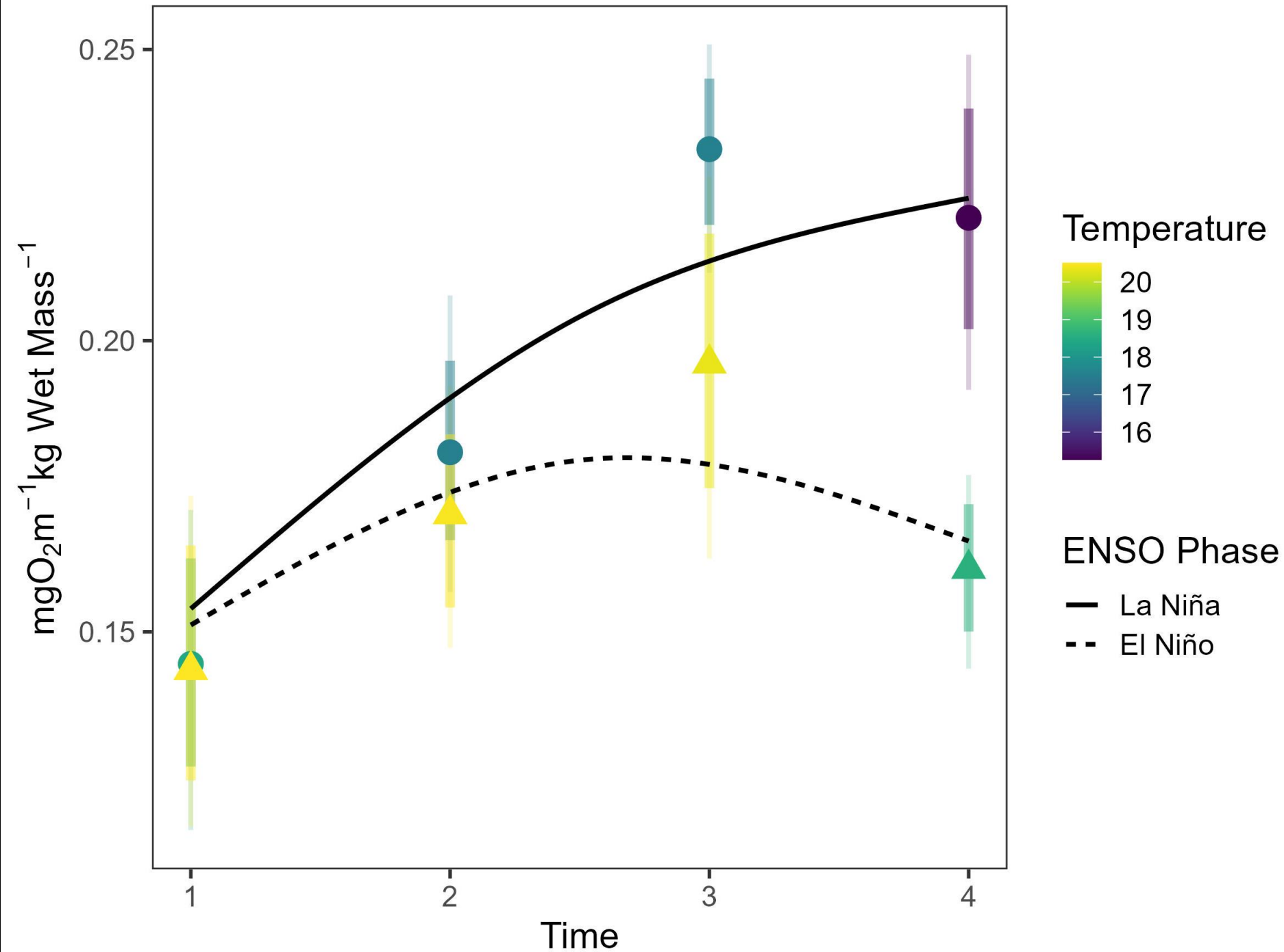
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Take-homes:

High $p\text{CO}_2$ + warming \rightarrow *S. purpuratus* eat more \rightarrow + barrens??

Constant vs dynamic \rightarrow overestimate reproductive potential

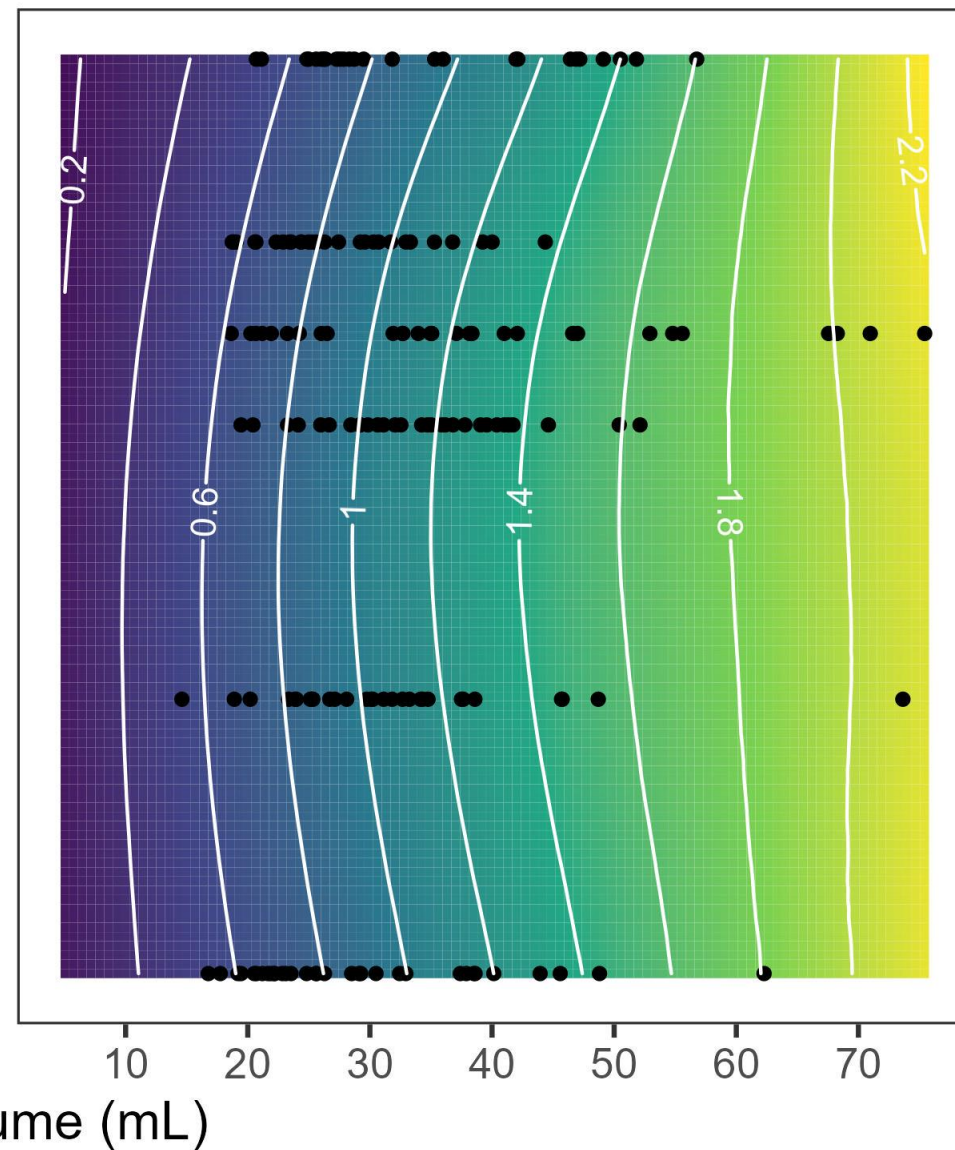
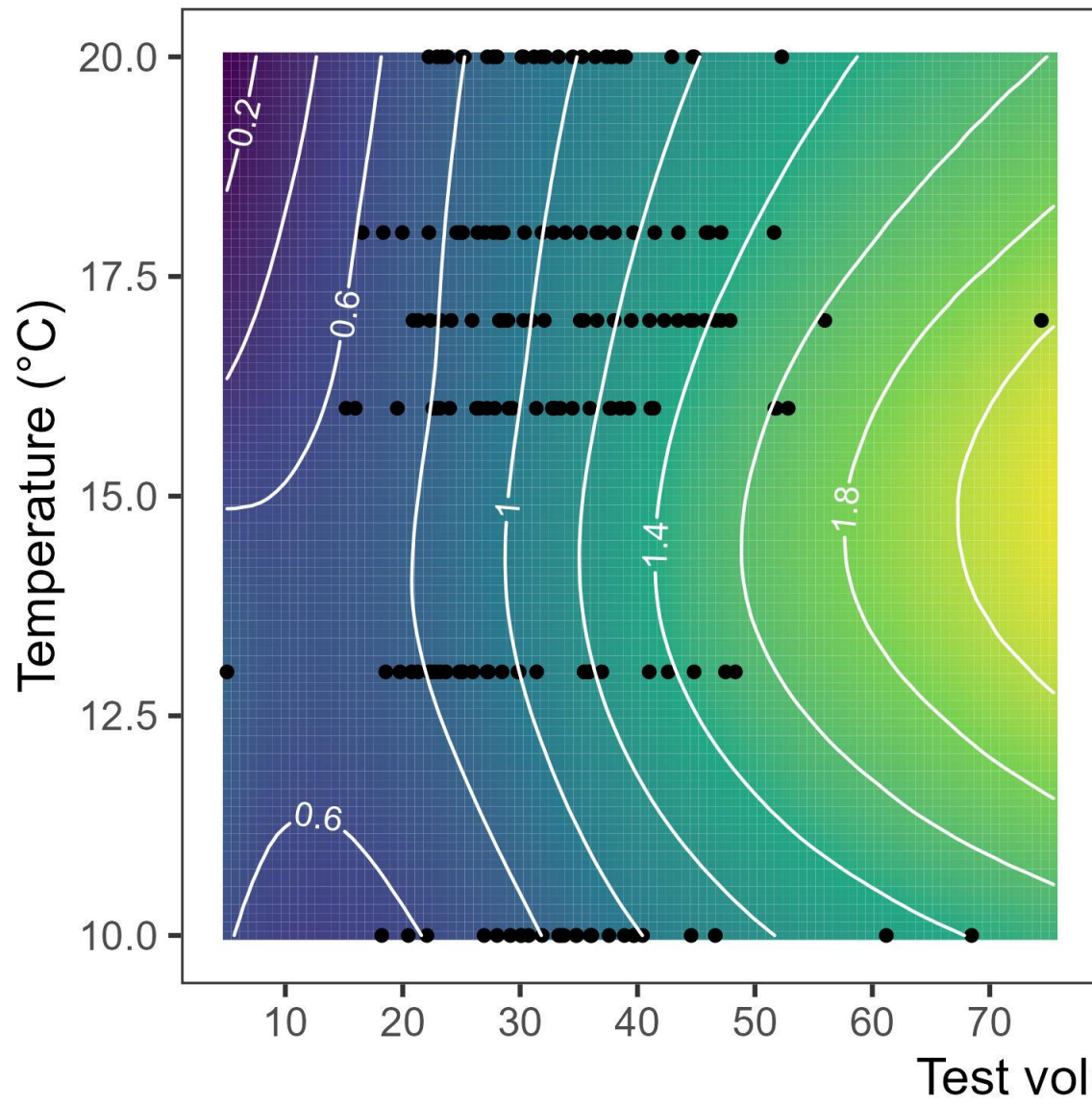
EXTRA SLIDES



- ***Higher***
metabolic
rate in La
Niña

1200 μatm

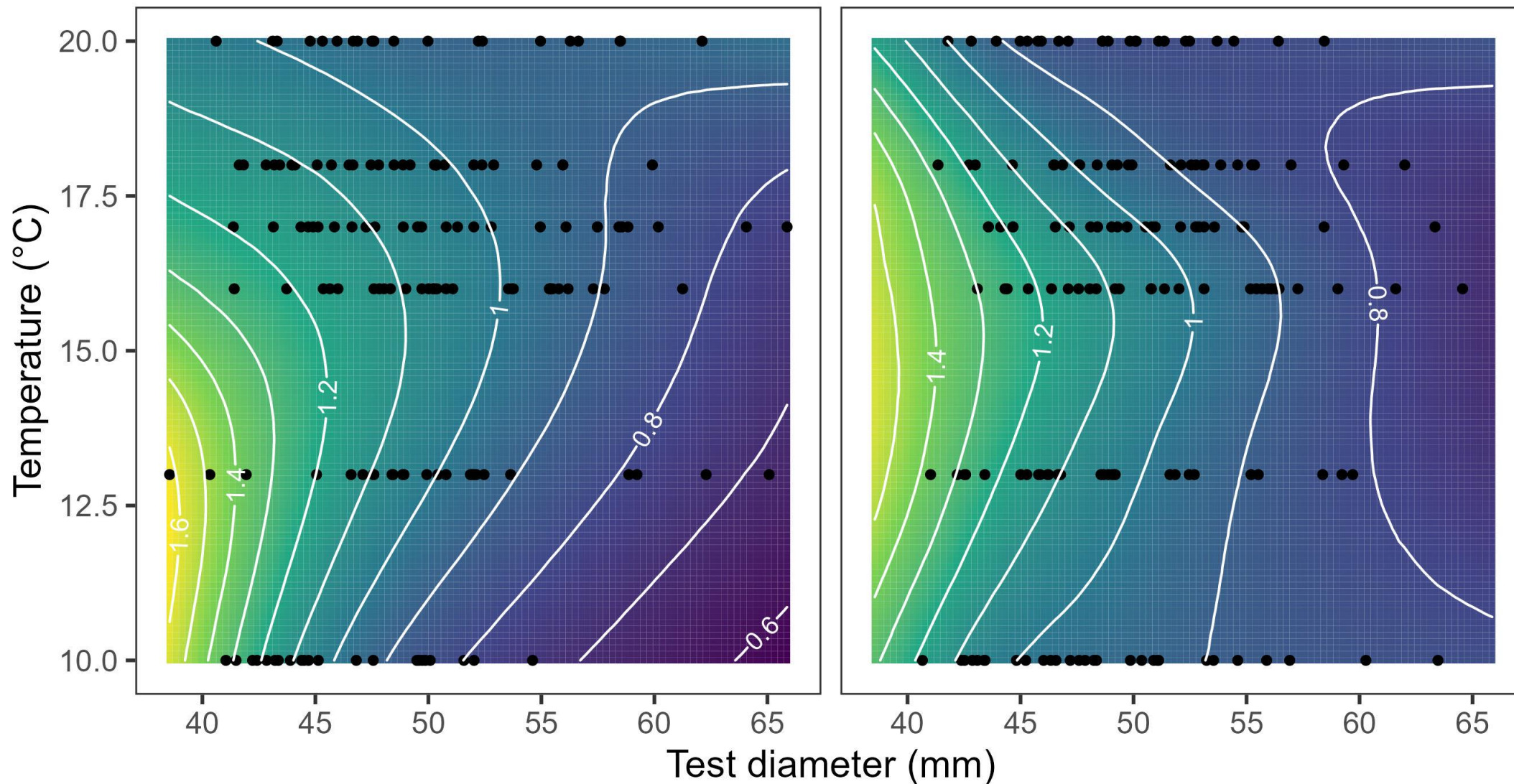
600 μatm



gonad mass (g dry) ● 0.5 ● 1.0 ● 1.5 ● 2.0

600 μatm

1200 μatm

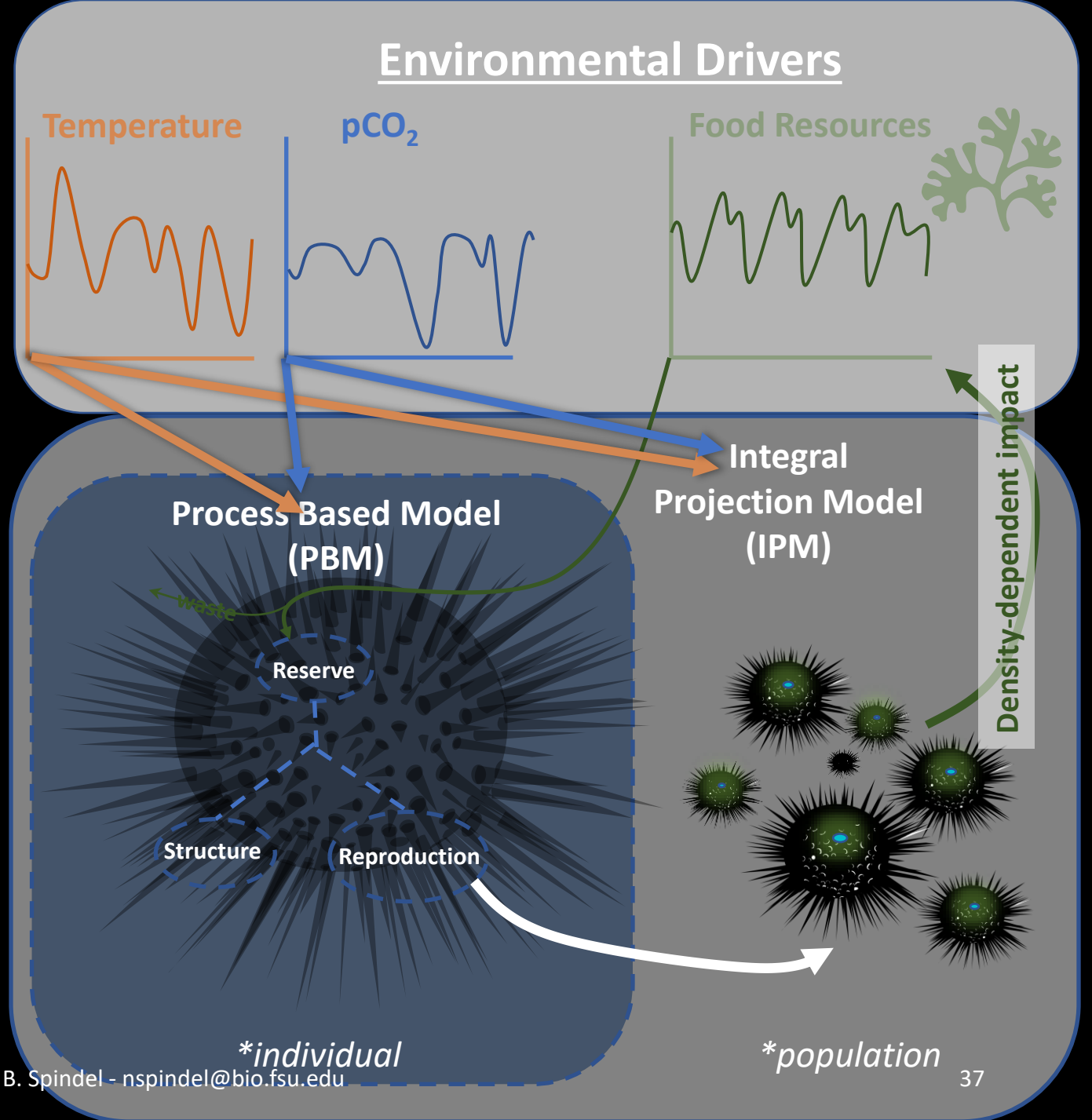


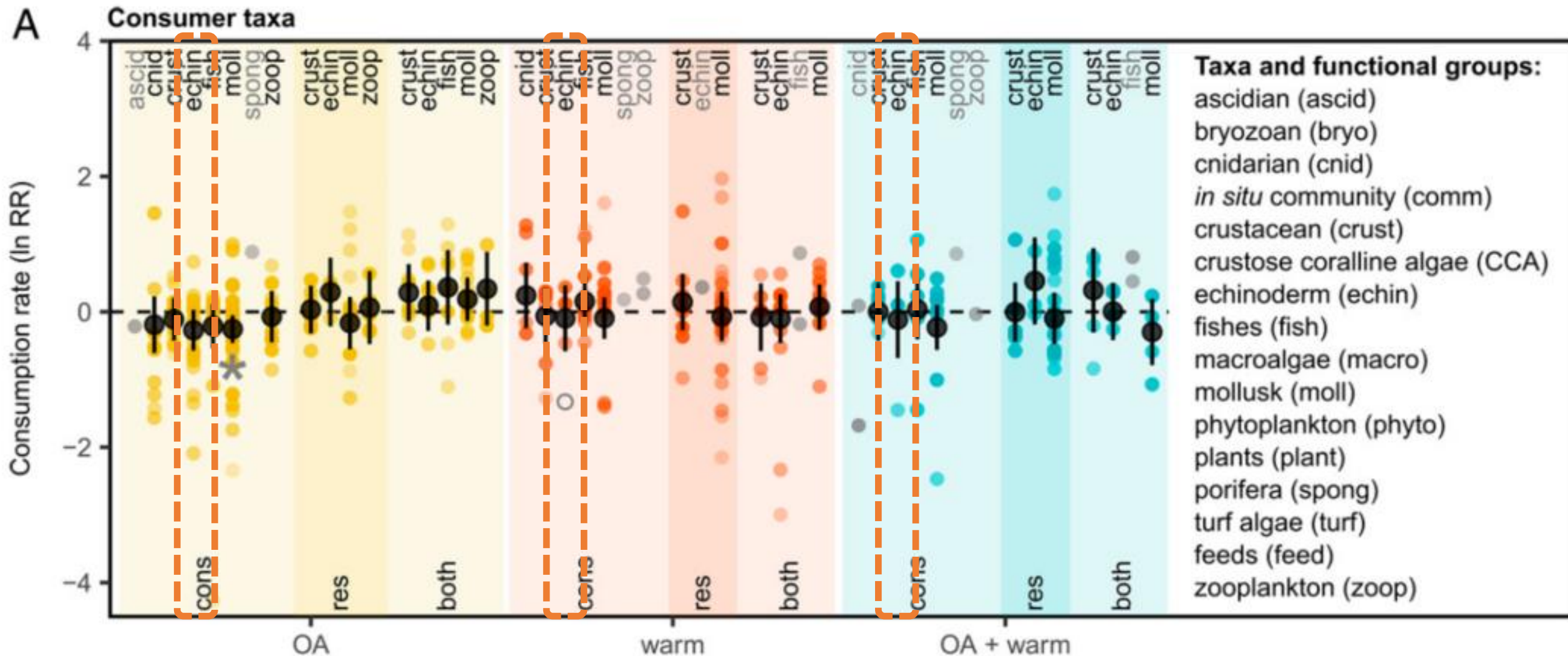
demipyrnid growth ($\mu\text{m day}^{-1}$)

●	0.6	●	1.0	●	1.4
●	0.8	●	1.2	●	1.6

Process based model development for upscaling to population level herbivory

- *Sensu* - Arnould-Pétre, M., Guillaumot, C., Danis, B., Féral, J.-P. & Saucède, T. 2021





Stressors	Effect	Species	Study
Warming	(+) disease & mortality	<i>Tripneustes gratilla</i>	Brothers, C. J., Harianto, J., McClintock, J. B. & Byrne, M. 2016
		<i>Holopneustes purpurascens & Heliocidaris erythrogramma</i>	Sweet, M., Bulling, M. & Williamson, J. E. 2016
	(-) gonad development	<i>Paracentrotus lividus</i>	Shpigel, M., McBride, S. C., Marciano, S. & Lupatsch, I. 2004
		<i>Echinometra sp.</i>	Uthicke, S., Liddy, M., Nguyen, H. D. & Byrne, M. 2014
		<i>Evechinus chloroticus</i>	Delorme, N. J., Sewell, M. A. J. C. B. 2016
Acidification	(-) body growth, (-) gonad growth, (-) calcification	<i>Echinometra sp.</i>	Uthicke, S., Liddy, M., Nguyen, H. D. & Byrne, M. 2014
		<i>Tripneustes gratilla</i>	Byrne, M. et al. 2014
		<i>Strongylocentrotus droebachiensis</i>	Stumpp, M., Trübenbach, K., Brennecke, D., Hu, M. & Melzner, F. 2012
		<i>Hemicentrotus pulcherrimus</i>	Kurihara, H., Yin, R., Nishihara, G. N., Soyano, K. & Ishimatsu, A. 2013
	*high food may ameliorate	<i>Amphibalanus (Balanus) improvisus</i>	Pansch, C., Schaub, I., Havenhand, J. & Wahl, M. 2014
Warming + Acidification	(+) additive, metabolic rate	<i>Echinometra sp.</i>	Uthicke, S., Liddy, M., Nguyen, H. D. & Byrne, M. 2014
		<i>Heliocidaris erythrogramma</i> (size range)	Carey, N., Harianto, J. & Byrne, M. 2016
	*+3°C ameliorate negative effect of decreased pH (27-24 °C, pH 7.6-8.2)	<i>Tripneustes gratilla</i> (larvae)	Sheppard Brennan, H., Soars N., Dworjanyn, S.A., et al., 2010
		<i>Tripneustes gratilla</i> (adult)	Dworjanyn, S.A., Byrne, M., 2018

- OA + OW -> additive effect on RMR
 - Uthicke, S., Liddy, M., Nguyen, H. D. & Byrne, M. 2014 *Echinometra sp. A*
 - Carey, N., Harianto, J. & Byrne, M. 2016 *Heliocidaris erythrogramma*
- OA + OW -> +3°C reduced the negative effect of decreased pH (27-24 °C, pH 7.6-8.2)
 - Sheppard Brennand, H., Soars N., Dworjanyn, S.A., et al., 2010 *Tripneustes gratilla*
 - Dworjanyn, S.A., Byrne, M., 2018 *Tripneustes gratilla*
- Long-term warming -> impaired gonad development
 - *Paracentrotus lividus*, 3 months; *Echinometra sp.*, 2.5 months; *Evechinus chloroticus* 3 months
 - Shpigel, M., McBride, S. C., Marciano, S. & Lupatsch, I. 2004.
 - Delorme, N. J., Sewell, M. A. J. C. B., 2016
- OW -> increased disease & mortality
 - *Tripneustes gratilla* Brothers, C. J., Harianto, J., McClintock, J. B. & Byrne, M. 2016
 - Sweet, M., Bulling, M. & Williamson, J. E. 2016
- OA (pH 7.6) -> decreased body growth, gonad growth, calcification
 - Byrne, M. et al. 2014
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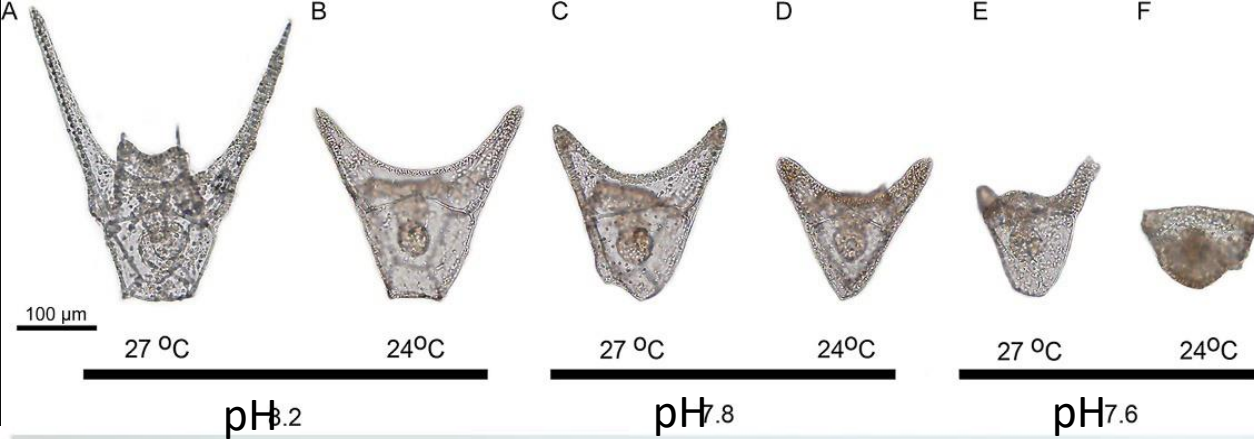
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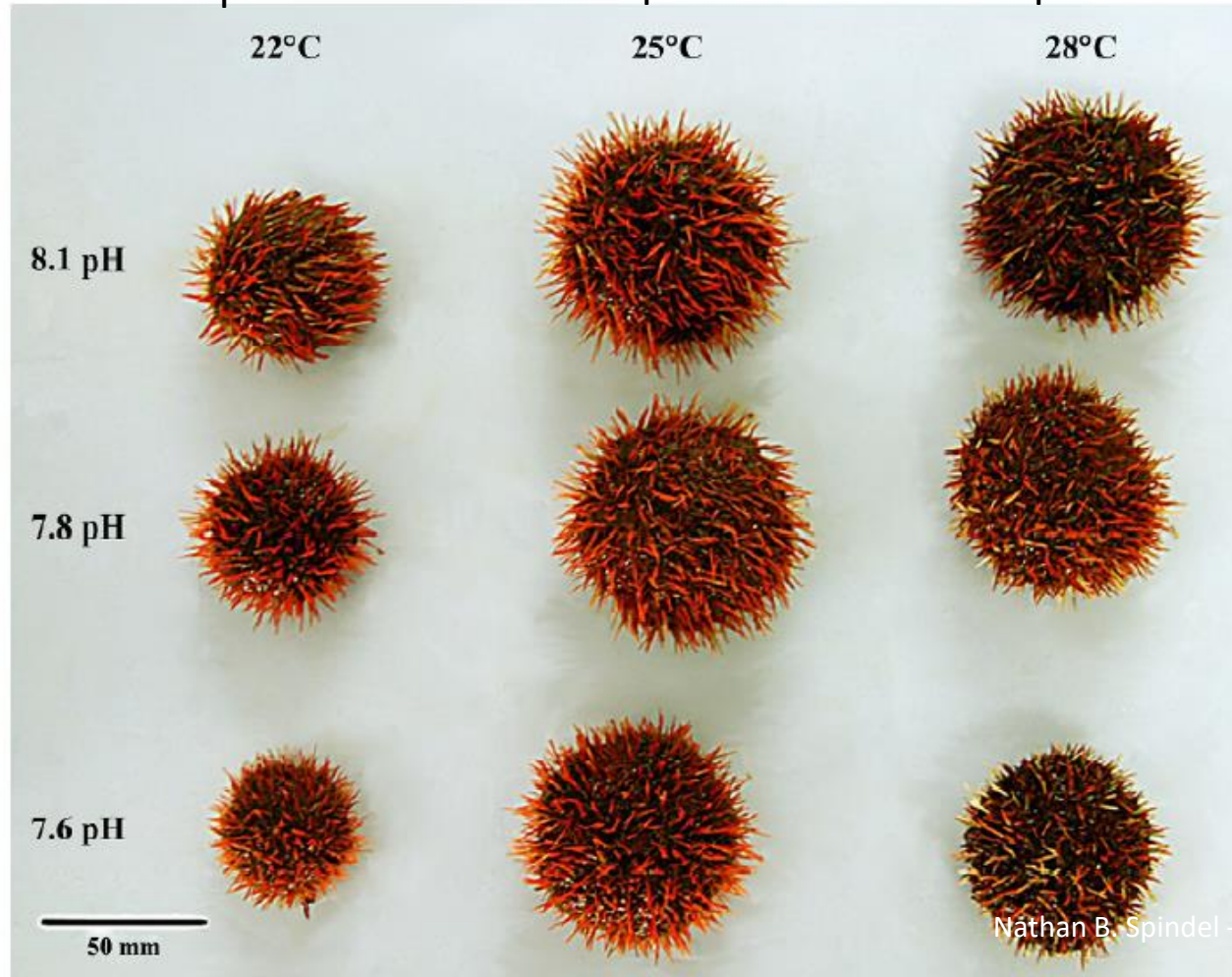
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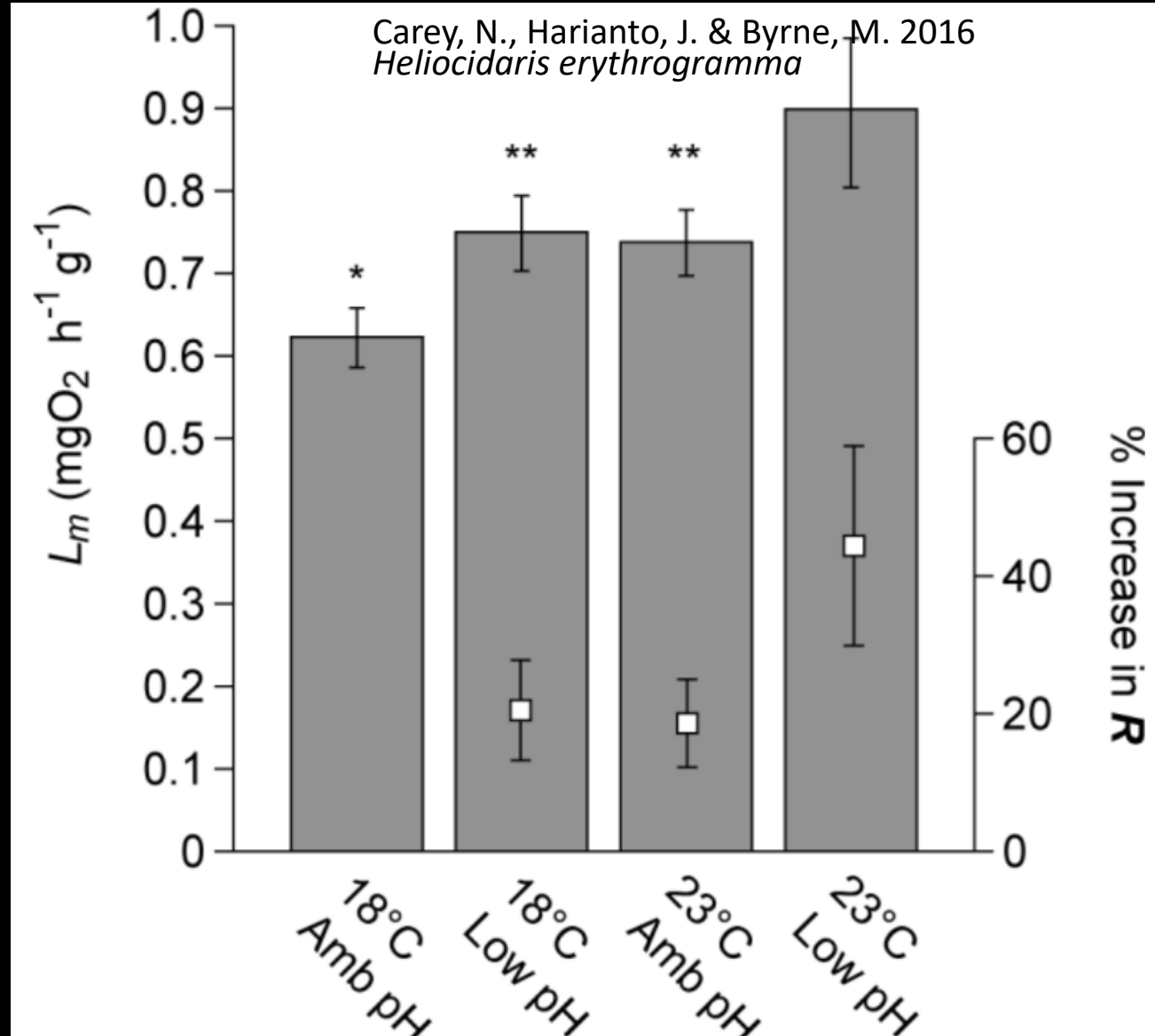
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